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This man is not a mail order man,
As everyone surely knows;
But quadrennially unto him
Political matter flows.

EIGHTH REGIMFNT IN CAMP

THE FAMOUS COMPANY OF ILLINOIS AT THE FORT

ONLY NEGRO MILITARY ORGANIZATION

Inspiring Sight to the Public—Has Notable Record—Large Number Served in Spanish-American War.

A very inspiring sight greets the visitor's eyes at this time about Fort Harrison, the magnificent army post which is being built by the government just north of Indianapolis. The land, thousands of acres, was well selected for the purposes intended. No prettier site could have been selected as to the topography, being in the main great level stretches, giving undisturbed views for great distances in all directions. The marching men may be readily seen from all points, in ensemble, in detail, by the officers, and also by the visitors. Some small parts are slightly rolling, and which adds to the value of the land for army purposes. Here are all the tactics of war employed—marching, deploying, countermarching, flank movements, advancing, retreating—all, amid the elements that go to make up the battle field that the fortunes of war would present.

The sight is inspiring. In every direction tents, tents, tents, meet the gaze. The imagination is aided greatly in conjuring up a real battle field, on which from eight to ten thousand troops are "housed" on the variuos parts. These are healthy looking, robust fellows, appearing very much the roles they are playing as soldiers of the first nation of all the earth. Not a few of these are great stalwarts, semi-giants, whose stature and physique are most splendid recommendations for their calling.

Among these thousands is the famous Eighth Infantry of the National Guard of the State of Illinois, an organization of Negroes. The Eighth has a notable record, giving it its fame and distinguishment. It went to Cuba as the Eighth Regiment of Illinois Volunteers, completely officered by colored men. Col. Jno. R. Marshall was chiefly instrumental in getting the men together; he was greatly assisted by the late lamented Governor Tanner, who, as Governor, saw to the consummation of the wishes of the then Major Marshall and his men. Garrison duty was mainly performed by the troops in the Spanish-American war. This narrower field of activity was not without its opportunity, at least for the commanding officer, who found in this line of duty the administering of the municipal affairs of several provinces. From all accounts he loomed up in his new duties, proving of exceptional executive ability. After the nine months' service in Cuba the regiment returned, disbanded, and then organized under the laws of the State of Illinois regulating military affairs. Really it appears that special provision was made for the organization of the Eighth Infantry, since by the laws up until that time the State had its limit of organizations permitted.

Most of the officers and a large per cent. of the men of the present organization saw service in the Spanish-American war. As a whole, they are a stalwart set, bearing themselves extremely soldierly when on parade, even looking picturesque, artistic, those long lines, as of moving bronze, moving with the precision of machinery, looking as if against them no similar numbers would have any show whatever. On the mimic field there was but one mind; that was that of Colonel Marshall. As he thought and spoke the men responded as one man, even to the click of a gun. Many visitors are present at the parades; in fact, are attentive to the doings of the soldiers generally. What is done, what they do, is worth going a great distance to see.

The Eighth Infantry, as made up and seen on the field, consists of six companies, representing various parts of the State of Illinois, and six companies which are of Chicago.

FIELD AND STAFF OFFICERS.

The field and staff officers are: Col. Jno. R. Marshall, commander; Lieut. Col. Jas. H. Johnson; Major R. R. Jackson, commander First Battalion; MajorOtis B. Duncan, commander Second Battalion; Major Franklin A. Dennison, commander Third Battalion; Capt. R. F. Ratcliffe, regimental adjutant; Capt. Jas. S. Nelson, quartermaster; Capt. Jno. L. Fry, commissary; Capt. Jordan Chavis, chaplain; Capt. Wm. T. Jefferson, inspector of rifle practice.

OTHER OFFICERS.

First Lieut. Samuel H. McGowan, battalion adjutant; First Lieut. Clinton L. ...ll, battalion adjutant; First Lieut. ...nton N. Hinton, battalion adjutant; Second Lieut. Louis B. Anderson, battalion quartermaster and commissary; Second Lieut. Louis H. Wilson, battalion quartermaster and commissary; Second Lieut. Thomas R. Thompson, battalion quartermaster and commissary.

SURGEONS.

Maj. Allen A. Wesley, surgeon; Capt. J. H. Shepperd, assistant surgeon; Capt. Jas. R. White, assistant surgeon; Lieut. A. B. McKissick, assistant surgeon.

NOTES.

Col. Jno. R. Marshall is the only Negro in the country wearing the title.

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Capt. R. F. Ratcliffe is the mouthpiece of Colonel Marshall. When he speaks it's the same.

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The band is a glory of the regiment. It has fifty pieces, well trained and conducted. It brings the boys down in good form.

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Seven hundred and ninety enlisted men and fifty-six commissioned officers, representing about 95 per cent. of the total command, were in camp.

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We met some of the plainer boys on the way out to the camp. Thomas Robinson, sergeant major, was with the Eighth in Cuba. He is a chauffeur when at his home in Quincy. Also met John Perkins, of Company I, Quincy. Perkins is a great, strapping fellow. An army made up of his like would prove invincible.

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Picture-taking is a diversion at the camp. The man with the camera is in abundance, and for once all feel like humoring his whim—picture-taking.

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The sanitary condition of the men so far is reported as excellent. Inspection of camp takes place every two hours. The field medical officer of the day inspects twice daily.

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The Eighth is the only Negro military organization in the country. It bids fair to remain a prominent factor in military affairs. The officers of the U. S. A. speak in the highest terms of the efficiency of the men.

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Capt. Jordan Chavis was highly pleased by the large number out to 10 o'clock services last Sunday morning. Captain Chavis saw service in the Spanish-American war. He is a D. D.

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The Freeman representative feels grateful to officers and men for courtesies shown. Naught is set down in malice, nor naught extenuated—to use the language of the immortal master of liberty.

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Good cheer and comradeship prevails generally. An easy dignity attaches to the officers, making them popular with their men and with visitors. The officers have a goodly supply of cigars, which they generously share with their friends when visiting them, and notable visitors.

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Dr. A. Bernard McKissick is a young man, a graduate of Meharry, took post-graduate course in Chicago, was interne for eighteen months in Provident Hospital. He thinks of going to Europe for further study along the line of surgery. He is assistant surgeon of the Chicago & Milwaukee Railroad.

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The six companies not of Chicago are Companies G, of Bloomington, Capt. Matt Stearles; H, of Springfield, Capt. Wm. D. Hodge; I, of Quincy, Capt. Robt. A. Byrd; K, of Peoria, Capt. Wm. S. Conway; L, of Jacksonville, Capt. Alonzo Kennebrew; M, of Metropolis, Capt. Arthur Williams.

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Dr. J. H. Shepperd is a Meharry man of '99; took post-graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania. He is valued in his community—Peoria, his home. He is of the staff of St. Francis Hospital, a member of the Peoria Medical Society and lecturer to nurses at the Procter Hospital. He ranks as captain in the medical department of the Guards.

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Considerable intelligence exists among the men, and especially among the officers. M. D.'s, A. B.'s, A. M.'s, D. D.'s, are to be met with right along. Capt. Shepperd is on the staff of a white hospital in Peoria. Capt. White is a degree man beyond his M. D.; he does some French, Latin, German and Greek. Major Duncan is a graduate of the Springfield High School.

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Capt. Jas. R. White was an interne for a year at Provident Hospital, in Chicago, and is on present staff at that hospital. The Captain makes a specialty of surgery. He is a post-graduate of the Post-Graduate Medical College of Chicago. At his leisure he gives some attention to politics. He made a fight for county commissioner of Cook county recently, but was defeated.

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Dr. Allen A. Wesley is of Fisk University and the Northwestern University of Chicago. He was one of the founders of Provident Hospital, Chicago, is surgeon and member of the board of trustees. Dr. Wesley is surgeon-in-chief, ranking as major. He saw service in Cuba in the medical department of the Eighth. He has the distinguished honor of being the only Negro member of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States.

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A part of the encampment work is to follow plans, route of marching outlined at headquarters and sent to the various commanders. With the chart only before them, the maneuvers must be faithfully carried out. It goes without saying that there is some getting together of heads by the officers, studying the lay of the land. A failure to make good doesn't help a company very much. It also goes without saying that "chart and compass" are highly prized articles at times.

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"Mess" time is an important adjunct to the encampment business. The big 'uns are especially cared for. They sit down and enjoy their meals as when at home. The others take soldiers' fare, and really would not be the soldiers read about unless they did. They expect to rough it. They walk right up to the "steam" table, call for it, turn right around and walk right back again. They haven't much choice, but it is good and wholesome looking, whatever it is. The boys prefer taking their platters, when filled, retiring to some grassy spot, and enjoy their eating ad lib.

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The commissioned officers are a fine set of genteel looking fellows. In their picturesque costumes they look anything else than of the humble Negro race. Maj. A. Wesley, surgeon, looks like an Abyssinian king—a Menelik. Colonel Marshall looks Napoleonic when afar afield, on horseback, slightly in advance of his staff, as the boys marched by. Capt. Jas. R. White looks a Spanish grandee—not less than a duke. Lieut. A. B. McKissick seems the darling of the regiment—young, handsome, intelligent, with honors thrust on him. Lieut. Otis B. Duncan is the ideal war man. Looks his part admirably; firm, but kindly; his "no" would be stingless. His "war" face, seen on parade, would answer for the personification of Mars. He is a handsome fellow and one of the popular men of Illinois.

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The dress parade was good to see. There were several lessons that could have been learned. In the first place, the mastery of army "technic" would have been observed—the articulation of an army held in the mind, these here and these there, ready to be thrown in a single marching column, practically at a single command, and then again to be dispersed to the farthest parts of the field, practically at a single command. Here was attention, then obedience—phases of discipline which is fairly the outside world over again. Here they are in the essence, concentrated, fine—so very fine that it appears that they might be handed one as if in a package; so very plain do these things stick out—attention, obedience. Beyond these very essentials to army life, and scarcely less so to life ordinary, is the lesson of respect. About the officers' camp the very air is respectful; it is contagious. The visitor also gets to touching his hat and throwing up his hand with that short, jerky motion, as if the very thing was being jerked out. This respect is paid Negro men as it should be, but which is woefully lacking away out in life, when the army life is not in mind. It's all a great big object lesson, which the thousands should have seen. It would have helped some, teaching the creed of respectfulness to all men.

RALEIGH, N. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Supreme Court of North Carolina met the first Tuesday in September, as is the law. There were seventy-two applicants, three of whom were colored. One of the colored ones was a deaf mute, Roger O'Kelley, who had studied law for one year at Shaw University, and by reason of poor health had to cut out this last season's work, but pursued his studies at home. He took the examination last Tuesday, and is now a member of the bar of North Carolina, possibly the only deaf mute lawyer, colored, in the world. The other applicant who passed was C. Fonville, of Washington, D. C....Rev. J. W. Ligon, principal of the Crosby Graded School, preached at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning....M. C. King, the most efficient compositor and manager of the Sentinel job printing office, left for Franklinton, his home, quite sick, Sunday....Charlie Hoover and Miss Mabel Hooover have returned home from their trip North, where they had a great time with friends....Rev. Wyche conducted a revival at Blount Street Baptist Church last week....Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Warren are in the city, after a trip North, and will be here for more than three weeks, when they will leave for Suffolk, Va., where he will locate....Miss Emma Morris, a city school teacher of Durham, was in the city last week....Mrs. Rev. Walker, of Winston-Salem, is in the city for a few weeks in the interest of the Winston Orphanage....Drs. T. O. Fulle and W. H. Heard, of Memphis, Tenn., stopped in the city as they were on their way home from Clifton, Mass., where they had been in attendance on that great convention of educators. Dr. Fuller is well known about these parts for the great work he did for the race in the legislative halls of North Carolina as State Senator; anad, by the way, as a preacher and educator, he is registered among the best....Mrs. Mary Haywood has returned from the country, where she went for rest.....Many Negroes of North Carolina would like to vote against Billie Taft this fall....Mrs. R. H. W. Leak has returned from her trip North and West as far as Chicago, visiting her daughters and friends....Rev. J. Evans had charge of the pulpit at the First Baptist Church last Sunday, and the people feel that they had a treat in his service....Prof. J. W. Paisley, after making the highest examination of all applicants who ever appeared before Prof. Duccett in all his career as examiner, left the city this week for Durham in the interest of his book, "Mizraim"....Miss M. Alpheus Jordan, one of the clerks in the Sentinel office, left the city this week for Durham, to visit her sister, Mrs. Lovie Smithy....Prof. L. R. Randolph, of Washington, N. C., died in Greensboro, N. C., recently....Dr. P. H. Williams has returned to the city, after spending a few days in New York City and other Northern cities....Memorial exercises were held at the Episcopal Church last Sunday. A large crowd was present to do honor to the memory of Archdeacon Pollard. Rev. J. E. King was master of ceremonies and pastor of St. Ambrose Episcopal Church.

KALAMAZOO, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Grant Chapel A. M. E. Church, corner Pitcher and Water streets. Sunday services: Preaching at 11:30 a. m.; praise meeting, 11:30 a. m.; A. C. E. League at 6:30 p. m.; preaching at 7:30 p. m. Weekly meetings: Regular prayer meeting, Thursday evenings, Isaac Wood, leader; Board of Trustees, first and third Monday evenings, each month; Board of Stewards, Tuesday evenings. Everybody without a church home cordially invited. Rev. W. M. Simpson, pastor....Mrs. S. E. Gray, of Indianapolis, was here visiting her mother, on Porter street, and returned home Thursday night....George Washington is very ill with typhoid fever.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The schools have all opened. No consequential friction, considering the fact that the schools are all mixed here. There are over 6,000 children in all the public institutions of learning....S. A. Ware, M. D., is back in his office at the old stand, on East Adams street....U. G. Cabbell is back at the Leland Hotel. The old structure has been totally demolished and work will soon begin on the foundation for the new ten-story building. The Leland Annex is being used for hotel purposes, and has a beautiful little cozy dining room. The Leland sticks tenaciously to its colored help. Richard Ross, the head chef, is absent this week, being at the encampment of the soldiers at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind....You can secure The Freeman at 305 1-2 South Sixth street or at 728 East Washington street, Neil & Brown's restaurant....The trials of the rioters are on. It is to be hoped that justice will be meted out to all....Joe James' trial was called last Monday. James is accused of murdering one Clergy Ballard on the night of July 4 and attempting to commit a criminal assault upon Ballard's daughter. All the circumstantial evidence points to James' guilt so far as killing the man is concerned, but as to his being guilty of the other charge, there is some question. He is defended by O. V. Royall and A. M. Williams, colored attorneys....Messrs. Bridgett and Garrett, of Dawsonville, Ky., spent several days in the city last week, the guests of friends and relatives....G. Washington Jones, Grady & Webster and L. F. Osborne have opened their barber shops....Green & Donaldson are doing a good business in paper hanging and wall cleaning.....Answering the call of Rev. James H. Doswell, pastor of the Lutheran Church, colored men from every ward in the city met last week for the purpose of organizing a Law and Order League, whose object is to help protect society and to cooperate with the white people in ridding the city of its criminal and vicious, and to raise the standard of Negro citizenship. Extensive resolutions were adopted. The league will co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce and other civic leagues. Rev. Doswell is president; E. L. Rogers, secretary; H. H. Long, vice president; F. B. Hicklin, treasurer.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Sallie Lewis went to Chicago, August 22, and visited Mrs. Mary J. Riley, and reported having a nice time....Mrs. Ida Jeniffer and Mr. Milton Webb remain quite ill....Mr. Daugherty arrived in the city last week on business....The meeting that began last Thursday and ran over Sunday, at the Missionary Baptist Church, under the auspices of the Good Samaritan Lodge, was quite a success financially....Foster Jennings, of Henderson, Ky., spent a few days in the city.....Mrs. Ellen Parker, of Henderson, Ky., spent a week in the city....Dr. O'Neal, of Henderson, Ky., preached at the A. M. E. Church, Sunday morning and night.....Mrs. Lydia Harris, of Evansville, was in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Cooper, this week....Mrs. Boyd, of Hopkinsville, Ky., is in the city, visiting Mrs. John Bishop....Adam White has joined the regular army, and he is in Jefferson Barracks.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. L. S. Lee, the popular pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, on Sunday night, September 13, preached one of the ablest sermons he has preached in a long time....Misses Ethel Radford and Eugenia Lowry and Mrs. Ollie Green have left for Helena, Ark., to attend the Southland College, of which Prof. J. H. Walford is president....Master Frank Dupree, who has been quite ill the past week with typhoid fever, is some better....T. Murray, of Thirty-third avenue and Eleventh street, has been suffering with a cold the past week, but is some better....Miss Janie Lloyd and her cousin, Mrs. Bessie Brock, left on September 12 for Uniontown, Ala., to visit friends and relatives. Mrs. Brock returned on the 15th. Miss Lloyd will remain a week or more....Rev. S. A. Cowan, preached an able sermon at the St. Paul M. E. Church, Sunday night, to a large congregation. Rev. Cowan is a power in the pulpit.

An advertisement in The Freeman always brings results.

ADDRESS ON FREE MASONRY

E. W. HAMTPON GIVES MANY INTERESTING FACTS

GROWTH OF MASONIC ASSOCIATION

Beneficiaries Received Large Sums—Many Homes Saved from Sale—Women Also Have Large Organization.

Master of Ceremonies, Craftsmen of the Grand Centinnial Celebration of the Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of This Jurisdiction and Founder of Free Masonry in America, Friends and Fellow Citizens, Greeting:

Free Masonry and Geometry are the foundations of industry. Geometry is that science that teaches the nature and relation of any thing that can be measured. It is one of the oldest and most necessary of the sciences, being the foundation of mathematics and closely connected with Operative and Speculative Masonry.

Wise men of antiquity believed in it so greatly that Plato placed over the portals of the Academy, "Let none enter who is ignorant of geometry."

Among the first inhabitants of the earth the principles of geometry must have been practised, because there were houses built, lands measured or divided, and each one had his own domain. Land surveying was the most important purpose to which geometry was applied; but as operative masonry and architecture improved, elegance was added to strength and ornament to utility, and geometry began to be extended in its principles and perfected in its systems. The Egyptians, who challenged the world with architecture, were one of the first to cultivate geometry as a science. From Egypt, the parent of both the sciences and mysteries of the Pagan world, it went to other countries and was used for all designs in architecture and operative masonry.

Speculative Masonry is closely connected with geometry and derives its most important emblems from it. I shall pause a moment to define Operative and Speculative Masonry.

Operative Masonry is engaged in the construction of material edifices by means of stone and marble.

Speculative Masonry is accupied in the erection of a spiritual temple by means of symbolic instruction, Speculative Masonry is also called Free Masonry. Operative Masonry is an art; Speculative Masonry a science. The object of the one is temporal; of the other sacred and eternal.

As the earthly temple was constructed under the application of the plumb, level and square, by which its lines and angles were properly measured, so we are accustomed in the building of the great moral temple to apply these instruments: the plumb, the level and the square, that we may exhibit on that Great Day of Inspection as "true and trusty."

The explanation of the principal geometric figures gives by Pythagoras may be interesting to the Masonic student. According to the Grecian sage, the point is represented by unity; the line by the duad, and the surface by the quartenary. The circle, is the most perfect curvilinear figure containing the triangle in a concealed form. The triangle is the principal of the generation and formation of bodies, because all bodies are reducible to the triangle and the elements are triangular.

Speaking of the plumb, level and square, let us apply them to the great moral temple just mentioned.

The Square is the symbol of Divine Essence. It is one of the working tools of a fellow Craft, and the jewel of the Master of a lodge. It corrects errors of the eye and adjusts with precision the edges, sides and angles of their work. The most perfect joints are thus constructed and stones made to fit in their destined positions. The Square is a significant emblem of morality and each human life is condemned or approved according to its principles. And hence it is the duty of a Master of a lodge to preserve among his craftsmen a strict attention to moral deportment and mark and correct the slightest deviation from the rules of propriety and good conduct. We meet on the level and part on the square, because having met together, when we part our conduct should be such that no unkind expression or unfriendly act should mar the feeling which alone unites us a band of brothers.

The Level is an emblem of equality. In the sight of God, who alone is great, all men are equal, subject to the same infirmities, hastening to the same goal, and preparing to be judged by the same law.

The Level is another working tool of the fellow-craft. It admonishes of that vast level of time upon which all men are traveling to eternity. This is the Senior Warden's jewel, reminding him that while assisting to preside over the labors of a lodge, it is his duty to see that every brother meets upon the level and that the principle of equality is preserved during the work and that perfect harmony reigns.

The Plumb is an instrument used by masons to erect perpendicular lines, and is also a working tool of the fellow-craft. A building that is not plumb, but leans either one way or the other, will fall. He whose life is not supported by an upright course of conduct, but swayed by different evils, will soon sink beneath the estimation of every good and virtuous citizen. But the just, the upright, the unwavering man, woh bends not beneath the attacks of adversity, but pursues the even tenor of his way, will stand erect like a tall column, and will lift his head above the frowns of envy and slanders of malignity.

As the Plumb is also the jewel of the Junior Warden, to be used by him in the time of refreshment, when the brethren are not in the lodge room, then more particularly should this emblem be used and the Mason walk uprightly and avoid evil.

By the Square of Virtue, the Plumb of Rectitude and the Level of Equality, we are inspired by the most cheering hope

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BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

SHINE JUST WHERE YOU ARE.

Don't waste your time in longing
For bright, impossible things;
Don't sit supinely yearning
For the swiftness of angel wings;
Don't spurn to be a rushlight,
Because you are not a star,
But brighten some bit of darkness
By shining just where you are.

There is need of the tiniest candle
As well as the garish sun;
The humblest deed is ennobled
When it is worthily done;
You may never be called to brighten
The darkened regions afar;
So fill, for the day, your mission
By shining just where you are.
Make all good men your well-wishers, and then in years' steady sifting,
Some of them turn into friends. Friends are the sunshine of life.
—John Hay.

COMIC SUPPLEMENT BAD FOR CHILDREN'S MORALS.

Miss Maud Summers, of Cincinnati, who conducted a special conference on "Storytelling in the Playground," delivered an address before the Playground Association of American at New York, last week, in which she attacked the comic sections of metropolitan Sunday newspapers.

"The comic supplement of the Sunday newspaper," said Miss Summers, "is lowering the standard of literary appreciation and debasing the morals of the children in this country. Here evil is aggrandized anad emphasis is placed upon deceit, cunning and disrespect for gray hairs. This sheet teaches children to laugh when boys throw water from an upper window upon an apple woman or outwit an infirm old man. Humor has its place in the literature of childhood, and it would be well if gifted writers for children could be found capable of substituting genuine fun for the coarse, vulgar type now so prominent.

"The child learns in but one way, by reproducing in his own activity the thing he wishes to be. By means of the imagination the child forms a mental picture, which he holds in mind anad strives to imitate. Therefore, the most vital purpose of the story is to give high ideals which are reproduced in character. In consequence, it is of the utmost importance that the story shall have at its heart a spiritual truth, or, in other words, that it shall have a right motive. This truth may be any one of the many virtues, such as generosity, kindness, hospitality, courage, heroism, chivalry, etc. It should be worked out in terms of cause and effect, according to the immutable law of literature, the law of compensation, which rewards the good, and of retributive justice, which punishes the bad."

WOMEN DEMAND EQUAL STANDARD OF MORALS.

The International Council of Women, in session at Geneva, has put itself on record as demanding the same standard of morals for men and women. The vote followed statements by several delegates portraying the evils of the white slave traffic.

The efforts of the American delegates to obtain greater voice in the affairs of the council, which was formed at the Chicago World's Fair in 1893, resulted in a victory. In the future the Australian states will have only a single delegation representing the commonwealth, as has America.

ENGLISH DOMINATION.

The English domination in the past has been largely possible because of the active support given the English delegates by Canada, Australia and the other English colonies, each of which possessed separate voting rights, while the United States, with its large membership, possessed only one vote.

A feature of the day's proceedings was the resolution introduced by Mrs. May Wright Sewall, of Indianapolis, in favor of a movement to have every country set aside a day upon which the idea of peace should be celebrated in the schools, and also to petition the next Hague conference to create an international arbitration court.

After a prolonged discussion, in which European opposition to this idea was developed, Mrs. Sewall's resolution was sent to committee.

The attendance this year has been the largest since the movement was organized.

FILLING THE FRUIT JARS.

The best way to prevent the fruit jars cracking when the hot fruit is poured into them is to stand them on cloths which have been dipped in cold water. As soon as the jars are fillde screw the covers down tight and turn them upside down. In this way one can readily see if they are air-tight.

CLUB PAPERS NOT ORIGINAL.

Dr. H. W. Shryock, head of the literature department in the Illinois State Normal School at Carbondale, who is one of the instructors at the teachers' institute held at Columbus last week, threw a bomb into the camp of women's clubs and similar organizations. He was making a plea for honesty in composition and was urging the teachers to teach their purpils to write what they saw and not what somebody else had written. Dr. Shryock said that 75 per cent. of the papers read at women's clubs, Epworth League meetings, sessions of the Y. W. C. A., Y. M. C. A. and the like were copied verbatim from books of reference.

MAYOR SAYS WOMEN ARE FITTED FOR PUBLIC WORK.

Taking notice of the suggestion discussed at a charities meeting at Kokomo that women serve on the Board of Public Works, Mayor W. H. Arnott said to-day: "I have no objection to the plan. The law does not permit women holding such positions at present, but if the law should be changed by the Legislature I should have no objections. There is nothing in the plan obnoxious to me. That women have peculiar qualifications in certain capacities where they can do more and better than the best of men is a matter of fact, whatever argument may be urged."

WOMAN PHARMACIST.

Mrs. J. P. H. Coleman, who carries on a successful drug store and manufactory at Newport News, Va., spoke on "Woman's Possibilities in Pharmacy," at the Business Men's League, and described in a graphic manner how she overcame the disadvantages of her sex and built up a small business into a large one and how she developed a plant for the manufacture of toilet articles which have a wide sale. She was followed by Dr. Amanda V. Gray, whose handsomely appointed establishment at Washington, D. C., is patronized by the best people in the nation's capital. Mrs. Gray is a leader in her calling, and her paper brought forward statistics and arguments that indicate the high station woman has attained in the world's work, as well as her possibilities in pharmacy.

FISH KEEP BEST IN PAPER.

Those who wish to keep fish fresh and wholesome have only to wrap them in paper. The paper must be specially prepored, however. Newspaper will not serve the purpose, nor will manila wrapping paper. Advices through officials channels have reached the State Department of experiments recently made by the president of the Chamber of Commerce of Brussels, Belgium. Fish caught off the Portuguese coast were packed in a special vegetable paper and turned out after sixteen days in much better condition both as regards freshness and flavor, than those packed in ice. The paper costs little, and takes up small space. It is pronounced by the inspector of Danish fisheries as a success.

WOMAN DIES AT AGE OF 113.

Mrs. Sallie Ruthford died at Topeka, Kans., September 9, at the age of 113. She was born in Middleton, Ky., in 1795, and had never experienced a week's sickness in her life. Mrs. Ruthford went to Topeka forty-three years ago. Four generations of children gathered at her home here last Sunday, believing it would be their last meeting.

HOME FOR WAYWARD COLORED GIRLS.

An organization has been effected at Kansas City, Mo., to care for colored girls who have strayed from the straight and narrow path. The building is located at 506 Oak street. There are now twelve inmates.

At the last session of the Legislature provisions were made for a home for incorrigible colored girls at Chillicothe, but the enactment was never enforced.

On the advisory board are such citizens as Judge McCune, of the Juvenile Court; Dr. H. Mathias, chief probation officer; F. E. McCrary, humane officer; James Lee, truant officer; Mrs. L. H. McCampbell, president of the Woodmen's League and matron of the home.

OXYGEN "JAG" LONDON'S FAD.

A new fad has invaded London, that of inhaling oxygen as a stimulant for mind and body. Several West End chemists supply cylinders of oxygen to regular customers, whose numbers are growing. According to one chemist, several society women are devotees of the habit.

The gas is supplied compressed in iron cylinders fitted with a tap, and, on attaching a rubber tube and funnel a stream of gas, gentle or strong, can be applied at will in any direction.

A paper printed a description by one of the reporters of the sensations experienced during what he called an "oxygen orgy."

"I am still under the influence of fifteen gallons of oxygen," he wrote, "and feel more inclined to wrestle than to write—not from pugnacity, but from the joy of being alive and possessed of a healthy body to perform the commands of the stimulated brain.

"After further inhalation my ears sang and I felt as if I had hung downward over a cliff. As I rose to my feet I swayed slightly. My speech was a little hesitating—ideas swarmed, but it was hard to seize them."

Dr. Alma Townsend, of Blackford county, Indiana, has been nominated on the Prohibition ticket for coroner. She is the only woman ever nominated for public office in that county.

The International Council of Women, which was organized by American women at the Chicago World's Fair in 1893, and whose membership totals about 7,000,000, representing all parts of the world, is now in session at Geneva.

Miss Cora B. Jackson has been elected preceptress in charge of the young women of Howard University. Miss Jackson will also teach, thus getting in closer touch with the young women of the institution. Her mother, Mrs. Jennie Jackson, will assist her. Miss Jackson at one time taught in the schools at Indianapolis, and is remembered for her efficiency, and also as being very neat and an excellent dresser.

The women of Kentucky are jubilant over having secured the appointment of a dean of women at the State University. The State Agricultural and Mechanical College has been turned into the State University of Kentucky. As soon as this was an accomplished fact the club women of the State began to work for a dean of women. Mrs. Florence G. O. Stout has been appointed to the post. Mrs. Stout has been director of the department of physical culture for several years. That department has been elevated to a full professorship, which gives her all the rights and privileges of a member of the faculty.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

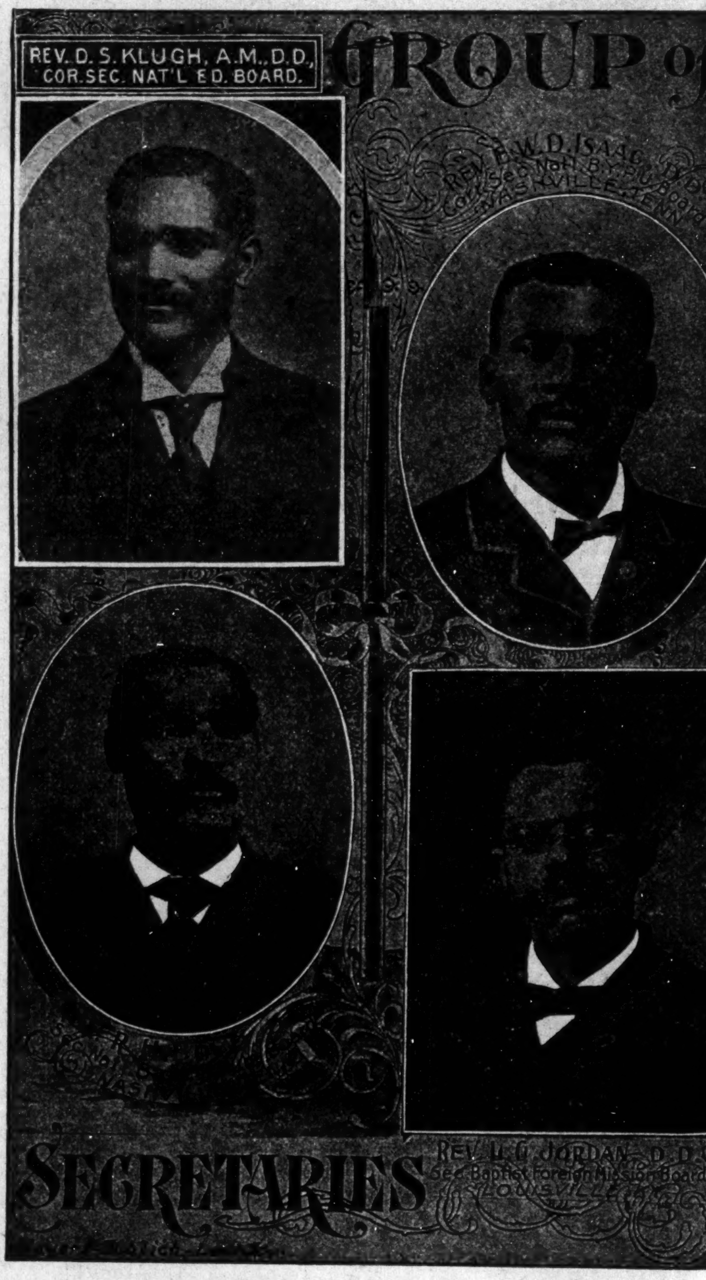
Special to The Freeman.

Miss Majse, of St. Louis, Mo., daughter of Mrs. Nathan Reed, is visiting her mother in this city....Mrs. Oliver Brown left recently for Hadley, Ill., on account of the illness of her father—Rev. Sallie, of Springfield, Ill., made an excellent talk at the Second Christian Church, Sunday night, August 30....Mr. and Mrs. Otis Wallace have returned from Bowling Green, Mo., after a pleasant visit....Rev. Henderson preached an able sermon at Bethel A. M. E. Church, August 30.... Rev. E. M. Harlis was on the sick list last week....Mrs. Lucinda Wright and son Theodore have returned home, after a pleasant visit with friends in Bowling Green, Mo....Mrs. M. Moxley, of South Clay avenue, is ill this week....Mr. Thos. Mounts and Miss Birdie Headden, both of this city, were married September 1, at the residence of Mrs. Jessie Mounts, on East College avenue. Only the relatives witnessed the ceremony. Both are well-respected people and very industrious. Miss Headden formerly lived in Louisiana, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Mounts will make their home at present with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Mounts, and will later go to housekeeping. ...Mrs. Charley Berry and daughters, Julia and Margaret, who have been visiting friends in Cairo, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., and Chicago and Milwaukee, have returned home, after a pleasant visit.... The C. W. B. M. meeting was held Wednesday night, September 2, at the Second Christian Church, and the program rendered by Mrs. Henry Richards was excellent. Miss Nellie Early had an excellent reading on the people of Japan, and Mrs. A. Dabney also had a good reading on the work done in Japan....Mrs. Ollie Williams is living on Marion street.... Mrs. Alice Early royally entertained Mrs. Henderson Jackson, Sunday, August 30, at dinner....The Sunday school picnic given Friday, September 4, on the Second Christian Church lawn, was largely attended ...The Bethel A. M. E. Church is now being remodeled....Mrs. W. L. Reed and daughter Vivian, of Chicago, Ill., have returned home, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. D. D. Thomas....Daniel Tinsley was a delegate to the Baptist Association last week....Miss Gussie Triplett left recently for Denver, Col....Mrs. W. M. Triplett left recently for a visit with her mother in Carrollton, Miss. She will also visit friends in Macon, Miss., and Hot Springs, Ark.

THE NEGROES' BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

The Freeman has often said that the Negro is the only man in America with a business opportunity. At first blush the assertion is startling and very apt to be denied. But if one is inclined to give the matter thought the truth in the assertion will reveal itself. The statement perhaps needs a little modification to make it appear the truth to those who wish to be particularly exact. The white man has his usual opportunity, through business stress, crowded to the very verge. If he gets a foothold, more than likely it will be at the expense of some other individual. Often it is at the expense of the other man, who is forced out of the game. The kaleidoscopic aspect of business thoroughfares speak very plainly to the point. It is rare to see the signs of the individuals or firms of men who started in business even a dozen years ago. Many individual concerns and firms weather the storm for many years and then finally give up the ghost, to the astonishment of all. Such institutions were thought prosperous, unshakeable, not to mention being unbreakable. This is but a hasty review in the biggest kind of way of the white man in business. The whereofs and wherefores are many, as to the failures which are said to be 90 per cent of the ventures.

Of course, if we view the Negro race as a part of the general race of the country, what applies above to white men also applies to it. Nor do we seek to disassociate them in thought or deed. The object is to talk the situation from the cold and critical side, seeing things as they are. The Negro is not in the business world as understood in the foregoing. He is not particularly solicited as a rule to become a part of it. If he does not care to spend his money in it no particular fuss is made about it. It means that he can sete up for himself, and if he fails of patronage it will be clearly his own fault. The present Negro has not the opportunity in the sense that he has not the capital to engage in business. But why he has not the capital is because those just before him did not save or combine for this day. The present Negro is not a particularly bright and shining light along that line either; he does not seem to be in a hurry at getting ready for the far-off day of which he knows nothing. In having a field all to themselves practically is the opportunity spoken of. Because they do not prepare for it, or live up to it, does not disturb the question.



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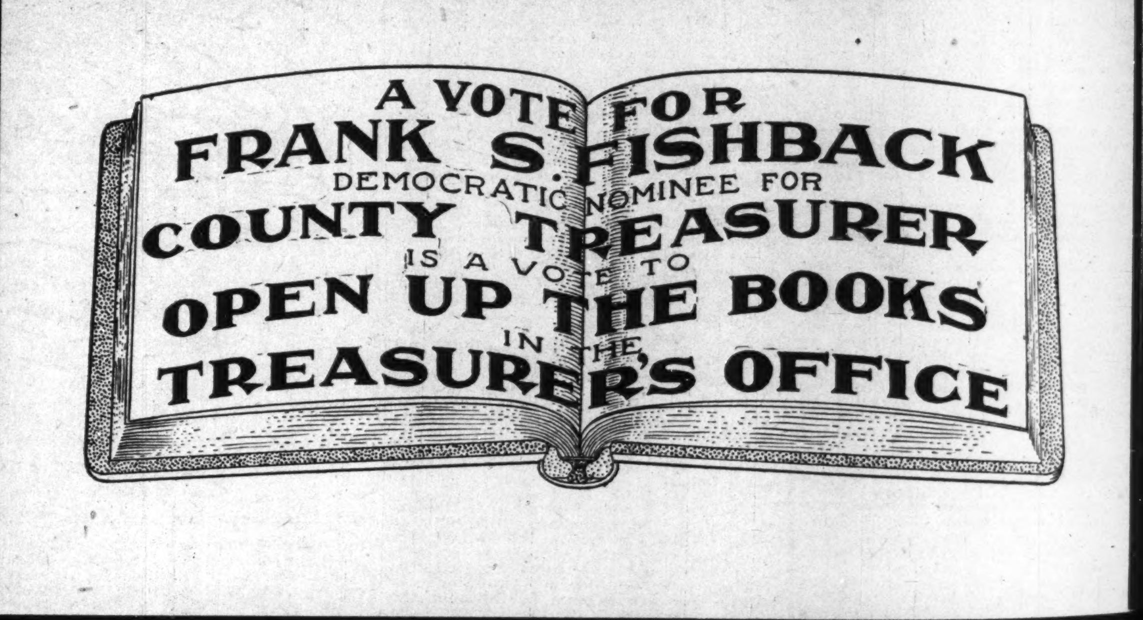

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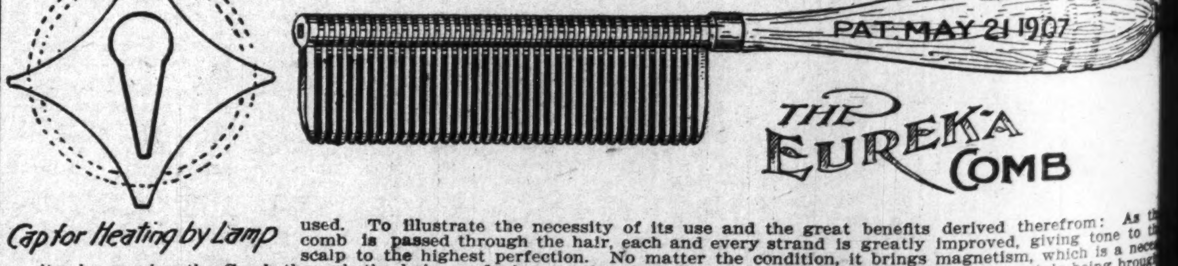

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For now, whether Harrington lived or died, he must be counted as nothing in this new struggle darkly outlining its initial strategy in Quarrier's brain. What was coming was coming between himself and Plank alone. The result must be attained swiftly, with secrecy and with the aid of no man. For he did not count Mortimer a man.

At the door of Major Belwether's house Sylvia's maid received Quarrier smilingly, saying that her mistress was not at home, but that Mrs. Mortimer was—which saved Quarrier the necessity of asking for a private conference with Leila, which was exactly what he had come for. But her first unguarded words on receiving him as he rose at her entrance into the darkened drawing room changed that plan, too—changed it all so utterly and so much for the better that he almost smiled to think of the crudity of human combinations and inventions as compared to the masterly machinations of fate. Leila said, laughingly: "Oh, you are too late, Howard. We are dining with Mr. Plank at Riverside inn. What in the world are you doing in town so suddenly?"

"A business telegram. I might have come down with you and Sylvia if I had known. Is Plank dining with you alone?"

"I haven't seen him," smiled Leila evasively. "He will tell us his plans of course when he comes."

"Oh!" said Quarrier, dropping his eyes and glancing furtively toward the curtained windows. At the instant a hansom drove up. Sylvia sprang out, ran lightly up the low steps, and the silent, shrouded house rang with the clamor of the bell.

Leila looked curiously at Quarrier, who sat motionless, head partly averted, as though listening to something heard by him alone. He believed perhaps that he was listening to the voice of fate again, and it may have been so, for already for the third time all his plans were changing to suit this new ally of his—this miraculous fate which was shaping matters for him as he waited. Sylvia had started upstairs like a fragrant whirlwind, but her flying feet halted at Leila's constrained voice from the drawing room, and she spun around and came into the darkened room like an April breeze.

"Leila! They'll be here at a quarter to 7"—

Her breath seemed to leave her body as a shadowy figure rose in the uncertain light and confronted her.

"You!"

He said, "Didn't you recognize the car outside?"

She had not even seen it, so excited, so deeply engaged had she been with the riotous tumult of her own thoughts. And still her hurt, unbelieving gaze widened to dismay as she stood there halted on the threshold, and still his eyes, narrowing, held her under their expressionless inspection.

"When did you come? Why?" she asked in an altered voice.

"I came on business. Naturally, being here, I came to see you. I understand you are dining out?"

"Yes, we are dining out."

"I'm sorry I didn't wire you, because we might have dined together. I saw Plank this afternoon. He did not say you were to dine with him. Shall I see you later in the evening, Sylvia?"

"I—it will be too late"—

"Oh, tomorrow then! What train do you take?"

Sylvia did not answer. He picked up his hat, repeating the question carelessly, and still she made no reply.

"Shall I see you tomorrow?" he asked, swinging on her rather suddenly.

"I think—not. I—there will be no time"—

He bowed quietly to Leila, offering his hand. "Who did you say was to dine with you—besides Plank?"

Leila stood silent, then, withdrawing her fingers, walked to the window.

Quarrier, his hat in his gloved hands, looked from one to the other, his inquiring eyes returning and focused on Sylvia.

"Who are you dining with?" he asked with authority.

"Mr. Plank and Mr. Siward."

"Mr. Siward," he repeated in surprised displeasure, as though he had not already divined it.

"Yes—a man I like."

"A man I dislike," he rejoined with the slightest emphasis.

"I am sorry," she said simply.

"So am I, Sylvia. And I am going to ask you to make him an excuse. Any excuse will do."

"Excuse? What do you mean, Howard?"

"I mean that I do not care to have you seen with Mr. Siward. Have I ever demanded very much of you, Sylvia? Very well. I demand this of you now."

And still she stood there, her eyes wide, her color gone, repeating: "Excuse? What excuse? What do you mean by 'excuse,' Howard?"

"I have told you. You know my wishes. If he has a telephone you can communicate with him"—

"And say that I—that you forbid me"—

"If you choose. Yes, say that I object to him. Is there anything extraordinary in a man objecting to his future wife dining in the country at a common inn with a notorious outcast from every decent club and circle in New York?"

"What!" she whispered, white as death. "What did you say?"

"Shall I repeat what everybody except you seems to be aware of? Do you care to have me explain to you exactly why decent people have ostracized this man with whom you are proposing to figure in a public resort?"

He turned to Leila, who stood at the window, her back turned toward them: "Mrs. Mortimer, when Mr. Plank arrives you will be kind enough to explain why Sylvia is unable to accompany you."

If Leila heard she neither turned nor made sign of comprehension.

"We will dine at the Santa Regina," he said to Sylvia. "Agatha is there, and I'll find somebody at the club to"—

"Why bother to find anybody?" said Leila, wheeling on him, exasperated. "Why not dine there with Agatha alone? It will not be the first time, I fancy!"

"What do you mean?" he said fiercely under his breath. The color had left his face, too, and in his eyes Leila saw for the first time an expression that she had never before surprised in any eyes except her husband's.

"What do I mean?" repeated Leila. "I mean what I say, and if you don't understand it you can find the key to it, I fancy. Nor shall I answer to you for my guests. I invite whom I choose. Mr. Siward is one, Mr. Plank is another. Sylvia, if you care to come I shall be delighted."

"I do care to come," said Sylvia. Her heart was beating violently; her eyes were on Quarrier.

"If you go," said Quarrier, showing the glimmering edge of teeth under his beard, "you will answer to me for it."

"I will answer you now, Howard. I am going with Mrs. Mortimer. What have you to say?"

"I'll say it tomorrow," he replied, contemplating her in a dull, impassive manner as though absorbed in other things.

"Say what there is to be said now," she insisted, the hot color staining her cheeks again. "Do you desire me to free you? Is that all? I will if you wish."

"No. And I shall not free you, Sylvia. This—all can be adjusted in time."

"As you please," she said slowly.

"In time," he repeated, his passionless voice now under perfect control. He turned and looked at Leila. All the wickedness of his anger was concentrated in his gaze. Then he took his leave of them as formally, as precisely as though he had forgotten the whole scene, and a minute later the big motor car ran out into a half circle, backed, wheeled and rolled away through the thickening dusk, the glare of the acetylenes sweeping the deserted street.

Into the twilight sped Quarrier, head bent, but his soft, dark lashed eyes of a woman fixed steadily ahead. Every energy, every thought was now bent to this newest phase of the same question which he and fate were finding simpler to solve every minute. Of all the luxuries he permitted himself openly or furtively, one—the rarest of them all—his self denial had practically eliminated from the list, the luxury of punishing where no end was served save that of mere personal satisfaction. The temptation of this luxury now presented itself, and the means of gratification were so simple, so secret, so easy to command, that the temptation became almost a duty.

Siward he had not turned out of his way to injure. Siward had been in the way, that was all, and his ruin was to have been merely an agreeable coincidence with the purposed ruin of Amalgamated Electric before Intercounty absorbed the fragments. But here was a new phase. Mrs. Mortimer, whom he had expected to use, and if necessary sacrifice, had suddenly turned vicious. And he now hated her as coldly as he hated Major Belwether for betraying suspicions of a similar nature. As for Plank, fear and hatred of him were becoming hatred and contempt. He had the means of checking Plank if Mortimer did not drop dead before midnight. There remained Sylvia. Long ago, whatever of liking, of affection, of passion he had ever entertained for her had quieted to indifference and the unemotional contemplation of a future methodically arranged for. Now of a sudden this young girl he had bought—he knowing what she sold and what he was paying for—had become exposed to the infection of a suspicion concerning himself and another woman—a woman unmarried and of his own caste and numbered among her own friends.

And he knew enough of Sylvia to know that if anybody could once arouse her suspicion nothing on earth could induce her to look into his face again. Suppose Leila should do so this evening?

Certainly Quarrier had several matters to ponder over and provide for and first and foremost of all to provide for his own security and the vital necessity of preserving his name and his character untainted. In this he had to deal with that miserable judge who had betrayed him; with Mortimer, who had once blackmailed him and who now was temporarily in his service; with Mrs. Mortimer, who—God

Agatha Caithness.

knew how, when or where—had become suspicious of Agatha and himself; with Major Belwether, who had deserted him before he could sacrifice the major and whom he now hated and feared for having stumbled over suspicions similar to Mrs. Mortimer's. He had to deal with Sylvia herself and with Siward—reckon with Siward's knowledge of matters which it were best that Sylvia should not know.

(Continued next week.)

THE SPRINGFIELD RIOT.

It is a matter of regret that few Southern white newspapers which we have read, reporting the Sprinfield riots, have treated them other than in jest. The point of merriment seems to be the fact that Springfield is in the North. This is neither the American nor Christian spirit. The Dallas Express desires first that the criminal that assaulted the white lady at Springfield be brought to certain, speedy justice, but it wants the decision by the court and not the mob. It would be in the same frame of mind if the crime had been committed in Texas, without regard to the race or nationality of the criminal. To our mind this is the correct way to look at these disturbances. Mob law and anarchy are twin evils which one day this government must rise in its might and stamp out. They are a pair of giants who are growing stronger as the days go by. True, just now the down-trodden Negro, the despised African, is the principal victim of the mob, but time will show the mob's insatiate greed for blood will no longer be appeased and satisfied by the blood of the black man. Then will come the time when thoughtful men will be sorely taxed to meet the awful conditions which will jeopardize the lives and property of the high and mighty as well as the humble and lowly. Let us be wise and start now. Atlanta, Chicago, Cincinnati, New Orleans and Springfield are simply warning signals of what is to come if the mob abettor and the anarchist are not rooted up.—The Dallas Express, Tex.

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But while we would be better Christians than our oppressors, we will not be cowards. We want to let the world know that we are opposed to the punishment that is being inflicted upon us as a people. We want to say with emphasis that we will not surrender one iota of our manhood, no matter how many lynching parties are pulled off, no matter if our enemies, like Hercules, stand in defiance over us, for he is not defeated whose spirit is unconquered. The shadow of retribution is hanging over the American nation; the Red Sea is just ahead.—The Leader, Alabama.

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Springfield's experience should be a lesson to other cities of the country. Hatreds cannot be legislated out of the bosom of man, but these dives, these breeders of crime, with their "fighting booze" and "can beer" served to men and women alike in a side room can be removed. The whites of the South call upon the "better class" of Negroes to help curb the criminal element, yet they, controlling all the forces of government, refuse to break up the sources of the crimes.

Here in Nashville some streets are unsafe for a law-abiding citizen on Saturday night on account of these dives, more frequently than otherwise run by white men with political pull, who sell their vile liquors to the workingmen and low women of our race. Let Nashville take the lesson of Springfield to heart and close up these back rooms in saloons and also keep all women out of saloons.—The Nashville Globe, Tennessee.

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The Springfield, Ill., riot was a very unfortunate occurrence. But it, together with other indications in the Northern section of this country, are unmistakable evidences that the friendship and sympathy entertained and manifested, in many instances by the whites of that section, for the Negro, are rapidly disappearing. And as a consequence uncontrollable hatred is growing at a considerable pace.—The Southern Age, New Orleans.

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The report comes from Springfield that all is quiet. It should be very quiet. Dead men tell no tales, and surely those poor victims who were beaten, shot, hung and cut to death can be depended upon to render the small service of keeping quiet.

The mob should keep quiet. They must be very tired. They gave almost two days of uninterrupted work. They had their own way. They killed, burned, maimed, crippled, destroyed and tormented at their own sweet will. They played with the police force, took the guns away from the militia, cut the water off from the fire department, and put the mayor out of business by a brick thrown against the side of his head. They touched the torch to happy homes and laughed in savage glee as the flames leaped heavenward. They cursed the niggers, then Abraham Lincoln and then God. Now they should keep quiet.—The Buxton Gazette, Iowa.

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When the Atlanta riot threw the mantle of disgrace over the State of Georgia, the newspapers of this country were loud in their denunciation of the horrible deed. Among those to condemn Atlanta and the State of Georgia were papers of Ohio and Illinois.

For many years it has been supposed by many that race prejudice was confined to the South.

But the records of many Northern and Western States show that such a conclusion is erroneous. The tragedy of Springfield, Ill., is one of the most diabolical that ever tarnished the fair name of a city and State, or disgraced the peaceable citizens who stand for law and order.—The Waycross News, Georgia.

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 19, 1908.

If it would only rain in this section.

Jack Frost threatens these parts. Are we ready to meet his highness?

Guess the skeptics are satisfied about the Gans-Nelson fight this time.

How will you vote? is the question. It will be answered sensibly when you are told to vote for your interests.

The churches are talking revivals at this time. It's been a long time since the city has had a general shake-up. The field is ripe.

Mr. President says Mr. Taft has all of the essentials for making a good, great President. He ought to know, he helped to make him.

It was extremely fortunate that more people were not killed in the recent wreck on the L. E. & W. railroad. As it is only one death is reported. Many were more or less seriously injured, but who are not in much danger of fatality.

Joe Gans again went up against it once too often. Battling Nelson gave him a fight that will be the talk of the sporting circles for many a day. Gans was clearly outclassed, leaving no chance for the cry of fake. He was just the same as other men of fame, and especially pugilists, who in time gave away to youth, brains, courage, either or all of them combined.

The camp ground of the soldiers is a most excellent place to learn some very useful qualities of citizenship. Attention, obedience, respect, are the cardinal principle of the soldier's life. The reverse is too often true in civil life when one is apt to feel slavish because obedience is expected. The soldier may entertain such a notion at times, but he very plainly sees that all depend on those qualities. It is not greatly different elsewhere.

The police made a haul of twenty-nine of the "oonce" boys Saturday night on Indiana avenue. It has been quite a while since the police were busy, but they made it up by the size of the catch. Guess they got a little unwary owing to the lack of vigilance on the part of the officers. The fascinating game once on, got no time to listen for anything but the rolling of the little boys. No music like the notes of "seben an' leben when day falls out in de propah odah." Perhaps most of the fellows were merely looking on. Twenty-nine in a game would bewilder the most expert "once" accountant.

THE INDEPENDENT COLORED VOTERS.

A good deal of talk is going in the country as to how the iolored man is to be utilized this year in the campaign, and just what attitude he will assume when it comes to casting his vote. The Freeman does not assume the right to instruct the colored voter as to his citizenship and the rightful use of his franchise, but we feel what we believe to be a pardonable privilege as a paper representing our race, to merely offer a few hints as to what would be to the welfare of every colored citizen who is ambitious to place himself among the best class in his own race and as a member of the commonwealth. As this is the age of reform movement the colored people have the power within their grasp to bring about a reform within their own race that would open the eyes of the public to the fact that we mean to exercise that power only for our betterment and not in any sense for a display of arrogance.

The Rev. J. Milton Waldron, the noted colored Baptist preacher, very plainly states the case when he says the greatest movement among the race is "pro-Negro." That is, he means that the colored people are moving for the uplift of their own race instead of desiring to engender a feeling or making an impression of anti-Negro progress by permitting themselves to be a tool of general utility in the hands of anyone politically inclined, and thus bring upon the colored voter ridicule and sometimes even the disdain of the very persons for whom the race have given their help.

The battle is for civil and political freedom from the shackles which have been subtlely forged about the colored voters by smooth-tongued wire-pullers. These shackles clang and wear upon the finer feelings of the independent colored people, and it but natural that the people are restive under certain restraints, and are beginning to think as they probably have never thought about the most effectual way that they can break the manacles and stand as freemen indeed. It is a simple question of acting for themselves. The sooner the colored voter awakes to the fact that he is a citizen, entitled to a citizens' rights and to a share of public patronage and public emoluments, without having to sacrifice his race pride, and that he is not a negligible quantity, the sooner he will have made long strides toward realizing the full benefits assured him by the emancipation proclamation.

When he is solicited for his vote he should feel that he has the right of independence and can accept what may be offered him upon the political platter, provided it should be to his taste. As Rev. Dr. Waldron further says: "We are a factor in the political life of this country * * * We are a race in protest." Dr. Waldron does not express this opinion to give the impression that the colored race is stubborn nor that we mean to show our teeth, nor put on an air of haughty stiffness, but simply to express the fact that the time is at hand for the colored voter to be an independent citizen, free from unwohlesome influences, and while the voter should be most gracious to all who approach him for his franchise help, at the same time the voter should maintain a polite dignity and decline to accept every political proposition that may be presented to him. "Be in protest," gently, firmly, independently, and we believe the colored voter who exercises this action and his rights on behalf of his race will step from the voting booth feeling that he has not been an "accommodation" voter, and that he will go to his home with a lighter step and a heart freer than he has experienced since the days when the manacles of bondage fell from his limbs over forty years ago—manacles that had drawfed his manhood and that had made his life one of sunless skies.

The independent colored voter is indeed a factor in the political life of the day. His franchise is his possession. How will he use it?

ENGLISH BISHOPS ON COLOR LINE.

"The Lambeth Bishops, in conference last week, came out emphatically against the color line and declared that all races and peoples must be welded into one church body.

The Congress was in session from July 27 to August5, and many questions of interest were discussed. Over 240 Bishops were in attendance.

Relative to the color question the Congress adopted the following resolution:

"All races and peoples, whatever their language and conditions, must be welded into one body, and the organization of different races living side by side into separate or independent churches on the basis of race or color is inconsistent with the vital and essential principle of the unity of Christ's church."

Note the imperative "must be." Well, the English brethren are very sanguine. Happily they do not see things as we see them on this side. We are in the very thick of the racial struggle, and look as we will, we do not see any promise of the imperative of the English Bishops. In fact have long since learned to be content with tend. But matters as they are and as they tend are not as we understand them as promulgated by the Master. His views concide with those of the Bishops, or vice versa. They accord with the views of the best religious thought of America, of the world, which would see distinction set at naught, or at least reduced to a minimum.

The Christian religion is ample when its tenents are observed. What one thinks of thinks of the personal Christ does not disturb the forcefulness of His teachings, which were right, and because acording with the best thought of men when their better natures are uppermost. The extreme sense of justice included in the tenents of the Christian faith has given it its permanence. Men know when the thing said has the proper ring; it becomes a fixed principle, not shifting, becoming brighter like diamonds owing to the use, winning adherents from whatsoever source; losing none—such like in the Christian nation, long since introduced into the world.

The Christian nation also includes the program set out by the English Bishops. And shall we also adopt the imperative "must be," having confidence in the verdict by those distinguished men? And why not; when there may be a thousand years before us, and in which the condition may be brought about? What about the darkest Africa? Well, already the clouds are giving away at the edges, a token of what will be in the days to come—the end of a beginning established by those very people who have so protested against the notion proposed by the English Bishops. And right here is their plea strongest. What is, is invited—by missionary or whatsoever means, and then the thing is fairly repudiated in the system.

In our own country there is not much of a sign of the "millenium," so far as actually happenings are concerned. In fact the races seem to be concentrating, more self concentered than ever. But there is a big "preparation" going on among the Negroes. They are becoming fitter every day. Ignorance and superstition are going away. Better conditions, better ideas of life, education, are conspiring to make good the physical Negro, rendering him less objectionable on that account.

Thus it seems that we are unconsciously preparing for the run of a thousand years when what "must be" will be? It's a good long waiting period. But with God it will be as yesterday, and also to those that will be living in that distant day. We can know of that day only by the trend of today, which if true to the plumb, when rightly directed, will lead to the ends in view.

THE LINCOLN LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 14, 1908.

To the Editor of The Freeman:

Dear Sir—I see in an editorial of your paper of Septem 12 a statement which is misleading as to the reasons for the organization of the Lincoln Law and Order League. The last week in July I was called in council with one of the leading pastors of the Methodist Episcopal church in this city, the object of the council being to discuss ways and means to strike crime and viciousness in the section of the city in which we reside, the following plan was agreed upon. He was to interest some of his race; I was to get the co-operation of some of my people, and together we were to make a bold fight against certain conditions and if possible clean them out. I had arranged such a meeting and had formed the statement for the call the same wek of the riot at Springfield. Since the call had been made some of the newspapers made it appear that the movement was the outgrowth of the Springfield affair, when it was the outgrowth of certain conditions which prevail here in the city and which prevail in all our cities, where many of our people live. The best class of white people and the best class of colored ought to come together and devise ways and means to protect themselves against the low and vicious. It is up to the Negro to do something aside from talk to convince the world that he is interested in every subject which will assist in giving him proper recognition in the world. But very few of the Negroes identify themselves with any movements which stand for law and order, organizations. This should not be the case, for the Negro is the greater sufferer on the account of the criminal element in his race. I enclose you a clipping from a weekly publication by the Chicago Bureau of Charities which gives the statement of principles of the organization. The League has already accomplished much for our people here in this city. No better movement could be inaugurated just at this time.

Yours for the race and righteousness,

H. E. STEWART.

The Freeman takes pleasure in giving publicity to the above. It caught its cue from the then current information concerning the organization, and which made it appear that it was the outgrowth of the disturbance. It did not see the necessity of laying on so heavily since the people of the city were enduring sufficient infliction. It agreed in the main with the general purposes of the organization, and sees conditions as Rev. Stewart sees them.

THE LEXINGTON (KY.) FAIR.

Booker T. Washington was an additional attraction to the Lexington Fair last week. The Colored Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Association of Lexington, Ky., is thirty-nine years old. Long since the fair became famous; every years bequeaths something that makes for its continuity and permanence. Situated in the celebrated Blue Grass region of that state, that city and vicinity have great incentives for show purposes. Hotels, which are such a factor at fairs, are at their best in that vicinity. Conditions are quite as good for cattle, sheep, swine, and for live stock of all kinds. Those of that community are not asleep to their opportunity; they have made their impress on the country owing to the excellence of their exhibits. The colored man has been inspired, and accordingly is doing a great thing; has been doing a great thing there for years.

As the necessity appears for more industrialism, fair movements are coming in for their share of consideration. This is as it should be. Behind the fair are the various industrious movements—the cry buoyed up by praise, commendation and the more substantial rewards that come to those that labor aright. The race will "disperse" into all the avenues of industry, contributing its quota to all, if it will succeed, and that with the enthusiasm and heartiness that mark the man well pleased with his work.

The Springfield, Ill., race war is to be regretted. Not one man in a thousand would have believed that such a thing could have occurred at the home of the great Lincoln.

Every one thought that if there was any place in these United States where the negro would receive a fair and just trial, that place was Springfield, Ill.

All have been disappointed and, and again it has been clearly demonstrated that what the Negro in every locality needs is something with which to protect his home on just such occasions.—The Hutchinson Journal, Kansas.

GEO. L. KNOX AT NORTH VERNON.

George L. Knox, publisher of The Freeman, spent Sunday, August 28, at North Vernon. On his arrival there he was met by Rev. and Mrs. Rollins, and was driven around to all the places of interest and business places of both races. Among the places visited was the magnificent residence of Mr. Ernest Tripp, which is the most elegant home in the city. Of the 6,000 inhabitants, there are twenty colored families.

In the afternoon Mr. Knox was highly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, at their home, and had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Hill and daughter, of Madison. At night he lectured at the Second M. E. Church, and then spent the night with Rev. Rollins and family. In the evening Rev. Pius Fisher and wife also entertained for Rev. Rollins and Mr. Knox. Rev. Rollins has a farm of about eighty acres, and all necessary machinery. He is raising Jersey hogs, which cost him from $50 to $100 each. He also has full-blooded hogs, Jersey cows and Hambletonian horses. Rev. Rollins is now fixed to live on "easy street," and has won the confidence of all the people. His hospitality was highly appreciated.

Mr. Anderson is an old resident of the city, owning a half square in one part of the city and several other pieces of property. Mr. Rogers is also nicely located and owns forty acres of good farm land. Mr. Knox secured several subscribers for The Freeman.

GREENVILLE, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. J. B. Rodgers, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, while attending a revival at Weyland, baptized an old warrior who had been a sinner for seventy-five years. ....The friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Reed will be glad to know they are able to be out again....Miss Carolina Fuller, of Shreveport, La., is visiting her cousin, Will Austin, on South King street.... Mrs. Willie McCain has returned to her home at Wills Point....Miss Bessie Miles has returned from Gainsville, where she visited her uncle....A. M. Mayfield, of Tyler, Tex., who has been visiting his cousin, Mrs. J. A. Linley, was quite sick for a few days last week....Mrs. Annie Chisholm has returned from East Texas, where she visited her father....Mrs. Jessie Holloway is somewhat improved.... The Mothers' Club. that was organized last week at the home of Mrs. A. D. Key, should appeal to every mother of the city to come out and meet those good ladies and become a member of the club, and help in the work. There is plenty to do, so come and help devise some way to reach and help keep sons and daughters off the streets. To do that you must prepare a place for them to go, so meet this club. The club meets every week. See Mrs. A. D. Key or Mrs. C. C. Clinton for further information....Miss Lela Peters has gone to Oklahoma City, where she will go to school....Mrs. Mattie Eubanks severely injured herself last week by striking against the corner of a table.... Mrs. J. A. Askew is up again....Rev. J. W. King performed the marriage ceremony for Mr. Ab Vasher and Mrs. Ida Jackson.

CORAOPOLIS, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Dora B. Hill, of Newcastle, Pa., the district president of the Band of Promise, is visiting Rev. V. L. Stoats.... The St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church had the opening in the new basement. The children of the Band of Promise had an extensive program. Miss Elizabeth Boyer gave the opening address and response by Mrs. Hill, and Mrs. Georgia Harris, of the New Hope Baptist Church, read a paper. An excellent paper was also read by Mrs. Belle Johnson. Miss Ada Wilder sang a solo....Call on G. H. Beattie for The Freeman, 931 Fourth avenue.

SPOKANE, WASH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The old-fashioned chicken dinner that was served at Calvary Baptist Church on the 8th was a grand success....The Juvenile Club from St. Thomas Mission Sunday school, that was given on the 11th, was a success, and Miss Blanche Fulp, the superintendent, deserves much credit for the program....Capt. R. F. Schloss has been complaining of his feet ever since he moved on Capital Hill....Johnnie Wright is in the city, from Portland, for the fair.

SHERMAN, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Copies of The Freeman are on sale at Jas. Carson's tonsorial parlor, corner Pecan and Walnut streets. He is an expert tonsorialist. Give him a call....Fred Douglass school will open the 21st inst., with the following named faculty: Prof. A. J. Kirkpatrick, principal; Misses Josie E. Southern, Myrtle Robinson, Prof. A. J. Sykes, Miss C. W. Johnson and Mrs. K. E. Porter. A beautiful new manual training building has been erected on the school campus....Officers of the local Negro Business League are: L. C. Tatum, Giles J. Jackson, president and vice president, respectively; Prof. A. J. Sykes, recording secretary; J. W. Fenet, financial secretary. They have recently received their charter....Rev. Dr. D. J. Crawford, of the handsome Harmony Baptist Church, will attend the National Baptist Convention at Lexington, Ky., on the 16th to 21st inst....The following named are employed at Kidd-Key Coll.: Wesley Green, chef; Samuel Montiller, second cook; J. P. Milam, third cook; waiters, Jos. Batsell, Wm. Payne, Alf Ryan, M. Royal, A. Stevenson, Oscar Bruce, H. and C. King, Jas. Crenshaw, H. Rhodes.... Defiance Lodge No. 138, I. B. P. O. E. of W., have leased a beautiful hall, west side of the square, Martin Wade, Kelly Hunt and Capt. J. D. Biggs, of the lodge, making the selection....Martin Wade, who represented Defiance Lodge No. 138, I. B. P. O. E. of W., at the Grand Lodge in St. Paul, Minn., last month, has returned, with a clear, exact and voluminous report of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge. He reports this the best session ever held, and the Grand Lodge will convene at Detroit, Mich., in August, 1909. ....Copies of The Freeman are on sale at Will Mann's handsome tonsorial parlor. Give him a call....Among some of our progressive business men are John Williams, John Crain, O. R. Tucker, A. N. Roe, Geo. King and S. L. Ham, who run first-class grocery stores which are a credit to the race.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The K. of P. Lodge, No. 15, celebrated Labor Day at Porter's Bluff Park, where thousands of our citizens enjoyed the day. The lodge put up a first-class street parade, headed by the Young Men's Brass Band, it being their first appearance. Prof. Rice deserves much credit for the progress made with the young band. The outing was a financial success....Miss Julia Belle Harding, of Springfield, Tenn., and Mrs. A. W. Harper, of Clarksville, were married September 6. The wedding took place at the bride's home at Springfield. They will make Clarksville their future home....Miss Delia Turner and Mr. Mose Gun were married at St. John Church on the 6th, by Rev. H. Medcalf. They will make this city their home.... Mrs. Millie Haskins, another one of Clarksville's old reliable citizens, died on the 11th. Aunt Millie was loved by all who knew her and was a devoted Christian. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. H. C. Stoakes, at St. John Baptist Church....Our pastors and delegates are all ready to leave for their various conferences and conventions this week....Rev. T. A. Goodall delivered a fine address at the mass meeting last Sunday afternoon, at Mt. Olivette Baptist Church....Rev. W. H. C. Stoakes has opened his day and night school on the corner of Tenth and Franklin streets.... Rev. D. L. Irvin preached his farewell sermon on the 13th. He left for conference on the 16th....The members of the Colored Opera House Stock Company will meet next week to start their project, which will give our people a colored amusement place, where no prejudice shall exist and first-class accommodations will be furnished for our people. All citizens should take stock in this company....The Queen City Band changed its name to the Twentieth Century Concert Band....The Young Men's Band furnished music for the Masonic moonlight picnic on the 14th, which was a grand success....Miss Alice P. Smith, of Pardue, Tenn., is visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cobb, on Marion street. ....Mrs. Jennie Cross has returned from a visit to relatives in East Tennessee.... Mrs. Lillie Buckner. of Evansville, Ind., is in the city, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Poston, on Commerce street....Wm. Criner, of Detroit, Mich., is in the city, visiting Mr. anad Mrs. Nathan Mields, of Greenwood avenue....Mr. N. S. Dabney, one of our mail carriers, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Luckert, and husband, of Louisville, Ky.

ADDRESS ON FREE MASONRY

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of that final reward which belongs alone to the "just made perfect."

The origin of Freemasonry among our race variety in this country, the celebration of which we are gathered together to pay respect to the memory of the immortal Most Worshipful Grand Master Prince Hall, of your magnificent city, the "Hub of the Nation," is as follows:

On March 6, 1775, an army lodge attached to one of the regiments stationed under General Gage, in or near this historic city, initiated Prince Hall and fourteen other men into the mysteries of Freemasonry. With that beginning, with small additions from foreign countries, sprang Freemasonry among colored people in America. These fifteen brethren, according to the customs of that day, were authorized to assemble as a lodge to "celebrate St. John's Day," and to bury their dead according to all Masonic usages. But they did not work—made no Masons until after they had been regularly warranted. They applied to the Grand Lodge of England for a warrant, March 2, 1784. It was issued to them as African Lodge No. 459, with the illustrious Prince Hall as Grand Master, September 29, 1784. But owing to many vexatious misadventures was not received until April 29, 1787.

The lodge was organized under the warrant May 6, 1787. It remained upon the English registry, occasionally contributing to the Grand Charity Fund, until the amalgamation of the Modern and Ancients into the present United Grand Lodge of England. In 1813 it and the other English lodges in the United States were erased.

The Honorable Prince Hall, a man of exceptional ability, served in the American army during the Revolutionary War, and until his death, in 1807, was exceeding zealous in the cause of Masonry. As early as 1792 he was styled as Grand Master, and from that date at least he exercised the functions of a Grand Master or Provincial Grand Master. In 1797 he issued a license to thirteen craftsmen, who had been made Masons in England and Ireland, to assemble and work as a lodge in Philadelphia, Pa.

Dr. Thos. W. Stringer, a native of Maryland, was made a Mason in 1832 in the city of Philadelphia, and by private conveyance traveled more than a thousand miles over the Allegheny mountains, entered the State of Ohio and organized lodges until he had a constitutional number. Then, later, he organised the Grand Lodge, and was its first Grand Master. In 1852 he moved to Canada, and with his superior knowledge of Freemasonry was honored by the suffrage of the craft in that Dominion and became their first Grand Master. In 1866 he entered the State of Mississippi, and by his untiring efforts and great love for the institution, called together the few lodges, and in 1875 organized our Most Worshipful Stringer Grand Lodge.

By this we see that we are the legitimate heirs of the Most Worshipful United Grand Lodge of England, and that we have kept pace with the onward march of

BIMHOP E. W. HAMPTON.

Christian religion and every honorable industry. We have not sat idle, but like the busy bees that surround the beehive, we have been busy and the results of our labor are visible and pronounced very good, as the following will show:

"Charity" was discussed in the local lodges of Mississippi and many ways and means were suggested by the brethren how to "bridge the chasm." The subject eventually found its way to the Grand Lodge, and after considerable discussion and planning, it was finally decided by the Grand Lodge of 1880 to tax each and every brother of the jurisdiction, in good standing, the sum of one dollar at the death of a craftsman, and the amount of such accumulation was to be paid to the widow or other beneficiaries of the deceased member. Upon this basis the Masonic Benefit Association, our charity fund, was organized with only thirty members, who pledged themselves to pay one dollar as an assessment.

It would be well to say here that the craft in Mississippi, after the organization of the charitable department, took on new life, and lodges sprang up rapidly in all parts of the State. Craftsmen, seeing the good done the widows, at once became members of the Masonic Benefit Association. The death assessment was reduced from one dollar to fifty cents, to twenty-five cents, to sixteen cents, to twelve cents, to eight cents, to five cents, until I am pleased to inform you that to-day it is only four cents per capita. From this taxation the sum of $700 is paid a beneficiary without any expense for collecting same.

The Masonic Benefit Association of the Most Worshipful Stringer Grand Lodge was miraculous in its growth, as its members increased from thirty in 1880 to over thirteen thousand in 1907. The association is paying out annually to its widows and orphans over $140,000. Since its organization in 1880 it has paid out to its beneficiaries the enormous and magnificent sum of more than $999,000, and the amount grows larger steadily as the work goes on. More than nine hundred homes have been saved from the hammer of the sheriff's sale of debts of some poor, unfortunate brother who fell by the wayside while struggling to leave something for those he loved. Thousands of homes are owned by Negroes in Mississippi, including farms from forty to eighty acres each, through the efforts of that charitable institution, the Masonic Benefit Association, as well as by the ministers, doctors, lawyers, professors and other public men and women of the race. The Grand Lodge, in its wisdom, purchased a few years ago one thousand acres of the best Mississippi delta land, to hold in trust for its widows and orphans. That land today is valued in the commercial markets at $40,000. Also, there was a surplus of more than $50,000 at the last session of the Grand Lodge, making a total of more than $90,000 of assets, which is held as collateral for any emergency.

The wives, mothers and other female attaches of the Stringer Grand Lodge have formed themselves into lodges, and a Grand Chapter, known as Bethshebe Grand Chapter, has adopted the rites of Daughter of Eastern Star. They have also formed and organized a benefit association, which is now paying to its dependents the sum of $500 at the death of a member of their association. The Grand Chapter has a membership of nearly 8,000—our wives, mothers, daughters and sisters. The organization is composed of some of the leading women of our commonwealth and prominent offices are held by women. The Eastern Star Benefit Association pays out more than $70,000 annually. The total paid out since its organization is more than $270,000, making the Masons of Mississippi pay into the hands of its beneficiaries more than $1,200,000 since 1880.

While we are not boasting, I know of no other organization of its kind, owned and operated by Negroes, anywhere in the civilized world, that can truthfully produce such results in dispensing charity among its members and dependents.

The results are traceable in the occasion that calls us together here to pay tribute to one of the greatest men of his time, the lamented Most Worshipful Prince Hall. In the name of thirteen thousand craftsmen from the Bayou State we hail with delight the efforts put forth by your jurisdiction to offer to the world this opportunity of presenting the illustrious founder of our time-honored institution in this country the tribute due him and to drop a flower upon memory's casket. We sincerely hope that the efforts put forth by you will inspire others to live a life of usefulness and to do the greatest good for the greatest number.

Most Worshipful Sir, I commend your jurisdiction and the craft everywhere unto Him who gave Moses the Decalogue on Mount Sinai; who confirmed the faith of Josnua as he circumambulated the walls of Jericho; who confirmed the preachings of John the Baptist, one of our patron saints, in the jungles of Jordan, and who made His walking path amid the tempestuous waves of the Sea of Galilee. May He ever keep and bless the craft wherever dispersed around the globe.

Fraternally yours,
E. W. LAMPTON,
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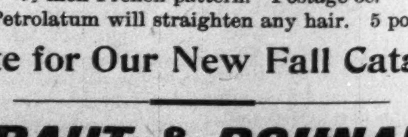
Price Only  72 CENTS.
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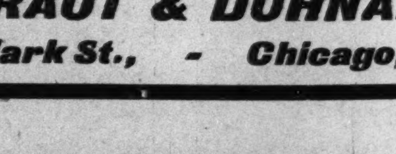
Price Only  62 CENTS.
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Stubbie Rolings, the footnote comedian, is appearing at St. Joseph, Mo.

Hi Henry Hunt's Comedy Company appeared last week at Lexington, Ill.

All professionals will find The Freeman on sale at Patton's News Stand, Kansas City, Mo.

Black and Jones were the hit of the bill at the Orpheum, at Kansas City, Mo., last week.

Allen Robinson, of South Dakota, is trombone soloist with the Cream City (Milwaukee) Band.

Eph Thompson, the elephant trainer, is now at Wintergarten, Berlin. His health is not much improved.

The Scotts, Richard and Rosa, are making good with the Great Parker Shows, covering Western territory.

The Musical Byrons are filling a two weeks' engagement at the Hungarian Palm Garden, at Milwaukee.

The "In Old Kentucky" Company played to the usual good business at Milwaukee, the week of September 7.

Prof. James T. Baxter, manager of the Dunbar Theater, at Kansas City, Mo., is booking all good acts coming West.

Mrs. Maude Singleton, Kate Stewart and Walter S. Lyons, of the "Holiday in Coontown" Company, were in the city last week, and were visitors at The Freeman office.

Will Goff Kennedy, the well-known general performer and stage manager, is now at the Lincoln Theater, Knoxville, Tenn., in the capacity of stage manager. He sends regards to friends, and says, write.

The Thompsons, Lizzie and Thomas, are en route with the Great Patterson Shows. George Buttae is still cleaning up in the olio with his dancing specialty. Ead Farrel, our cornetist, sends regard to all in the profession.

Information has been given out that the Orpheum Circuit will play no "Salome Dancers." The manager says that a "Salome" dance is a degrading art, and that the Orpheum Circuit is directing energies to a higher and loftier plane of entertainment.

The "In Old Kentucky" Company's band, under the leadership of Prof. Jno. Powell, is the best this season for many years. All the boys are well and send regards to friends, both in and out of the profession. They will appear in Indianapolis September 21, 22 and 23. Bud Wilson is still committing on his bagpipe, while Jno. Powell is playing clarinet parts exclusively. R. Roy Pope is holding down solo B flat cornet alone, being assisted in overtures by a bright young cornetist, Robert (Mose) Burkes.

WM. M'CABE'S TROUBADOURS.

We opened the season August 3 at Elburn, Ill., and business has been very good through Illinois and Iowa, and the company is givin gthe very best of satisfaction, and each and every member is making good and enjoying the best of health. We played Columbus Junction, Ia., September 2, 3 and 4, which were their big fair dates, and we turned people away for three nights. Mr. McCabe and the entire company send regards to friends.

THE GREAT FERDON CO. NO. 2.

The company is drawing large crowds nightly at Chico, Cal. Morris P. Ford and Mr. Venerable, of the Ferdon company, were the guests of Mr. Freeman, of Chico, on Sunday evening. Mr. Freeman is quite a talker, and loves to discuss the race question. Mrs. Breeden, a talented colored pianist, rendered some choice selections for our benefit, and we spent a very pleasant evening.

All the boys were glad to hear from Pearl Moppin last week, and we would like to hear from other friends.

CARTER & BLUFORD IN THE "ACT BEAUTIFUL."

Carter and Bluford also score in what they call "The Act Beautiful." For this they carry their own appropriate scenic settings for character songs. Carter is a character comedian. He treats you to the novel sight of a Yankee farmer with a coon shuffle. And Miss Bluford certainly looked good to the audience yesterday afternoon. If Pocahontas was as pretty a little squaw as she made yesterday, the pride of the famous Indian maiden's descendants is easily explained.—Elizabeth Haight Strong, in San Francisco Globe.

ALLEN'S MINSTRELS.

We are in Missouri now and are doing a big business. The show has been improved a great deal. Paul Carter joined us in Cairo, Ill., and is making good. Will Rales and S. Smith also joined us at Cairo, Ill. Our big band has been strengthened with Joe Miller and Millican Fisher. Both show and band are giving satisfaction.

J. B. Norton, our stage manager, has been suffering with his teeth.

Our little fourteen-year-old contortionist is making good. Little Clifton Boyd is the youngest and best of his age of the race. All the boys send regards to all friends.

MARSHALL'S OLD PLANTATION SHOW.

We are now touring North and South Carolina, doing a splendid business. The show is staged by P. Porter. Everybody works as a family. We have with us Miss Blanche Russell, Miss Millie Williams, Mrs. Emma Johnson. Our females are cleaning up for the boys. We also have Isom Johnson, James Crawford, John Haylim, Luke Gowin, Page Tilman, Flossie Myhone and little Joe Green. The band is led by B. F. Stevens. Samuel H. Sawyer is our piano player. Howard T. Halley is doing nice work with his trap drums. The company sends regards to all friends.

PEKIN THEATRE.

The manager has found it advisable to change from two shows a night, and the house is now running under a continuous performance policy, which seems to be well suited to the patrons.

The Golden Gate Quintette were a big drawing card last week, and have been engaged for another week. The one-act sketch of Wise and Milton was well received, and the efforts of Hen Wise and Mrs. Wise were loudly applauded during the entire week, and their efforts in this direction show them to be very capable performers. They have in preparation a new one-act comedy, which will be seen later. Lew Lamar delivered his monologue in a masterly manner, and his song, "That's Enough," scored immensely. Professor Rogers, one of the greatest and best ventriloquists, has made a decided hit. Being the first act of its kind to be delivered by a colored person, makes it an act well worthy of being seen. Williams and Stevens occupy the boards this week with their musical sketch entitled "Dr. Doo-Doo." Billy Earthquake makes his first appearance as a singing and dancing comedian. The Bennington brothers (a white act) have a very clever acrobatic act. Miss Lottie Grady is being well received. Mr. Tim Owsley, amusement director, is rapidly getting things into shape, as he has ability in that direction. The management has some strong vaudeville booking for the future.

WILL OPEN PLAY BROKERAGE OFFICE.

James T. Brymm and J. Ed Green, two young hustlers of the profession, have opened a play brokerage office at 50 West Twenty-ninth street, New York, where they write, stage and rehearse acts. They have already put out two successes to their credit, "The Georgia Campers," with ten people, owned by Mr. Brear, and "The Chocolate Drops," owned by George Archer and Williams & Walker. These young men announce that they will furnish anything in the amusement line, from a lyric to a three-act musical comedy.

DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS.

We are now amid the green fields of Virginia, and business continues good throughout the State. While at North Fork we met the Williams & Banard Troubadours, and the bunch all had the pleasure of witnessing a performance of the Dandies on Sunday night. The boys are patiently waiting the big spreads in the near future. Our home isn't here, but it's farther down the line. E. B. Dudley, musical director, recently received a beautiful gold cornet, and sends regards to Jno. Haywood and Wm. Dorsey. Jas. Woodson says hello to Lou Lamar and Williams and Stephens. Monroe Tabor extends regards to Sylvester Russell, and would like to hear from Geo. Freeman. Arthur L. Prince, our Freeman correspondent, will be at his Chattanooga home next week, where a swell affair is awaiting the Dixie Minstrels.

J. E. ADAMS' 20TH CENTURY ENTERTAINERS.

Nothing succeeds like success. Not the best, but as good as the best. The roster is: R. O. Henderson, amusement director; A. F. Hutt, bandmaster and solo cornet; Wm. Trigg, solo cornet; Alonzo Turner, first cornet; W. H. Collins, clarinet; J. E. Adams, alto; Geo. Wilson, trombone; R. O. Henderson, baritone; Perry Gant, tuba; Geo. Williams, snare drum; Wm. Nash, bass drum. Our seven-piece orchestra, under the leadership of W. H. Collins, is receiving much praise. Our ladies: Mrs. R. O. Henderson, Mrs. Margie Turner, Mrs. Izetta Hutt, Mrs. Rosie Collins. They are all applause winners with their catchy songs and neat dancing. The show is running smoothly, and Mr. Shannon, our genial manager, says it is the best show he has ever had. No rivalry or jealousy exists among our three comedians, Henderson, Turner and Nash, but each has the other's interests at heart. Our motto: Sobriety, Civility and Time. Regards to all friends.

LINCOLN PARK AUDITORIUM.

The Laboring Man's Union Social Club, of New Orleans, La., the lessees of the Lincoln Park Auditorium, have closed a very successful summer season, and they have opened for the winter, the first show being Kenner & Lewis Stock Company, for a run of four weeks, presenting the well-known dramas, "In Cripple Creek," "Johnson Boys in Missouri," "The Biddle Brothers in a Desperate Chance," and "Not Like Other Girls." Polo Steele, the well-known and popular stage manager of the Elysium, and also a popular member of the Tramps' Social Club, has been engaged as our heavy man and also stage manager. Our Auditorium is situated on one of the principal driveways of the city, Carrilonton avenue and Olender street. We can seat 1,600 people. Our stage has every improvement and everything that is needed, and is up to the standard.

Polo Steele, Lew Kenner, J. E. Lewis and Alfred Bermudez send their regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Alfred Bermudez would like to hear from Jessie Reeves.

THE GREAT PATTERSON SHOWS.

Thomas Thompson and wife, with the Great Patterson Shows, are making good, Mrs. Eliza Thompson as the Southern Queen, Thomas Thompson as pianist and stage manager. Ed Forkel is cornetist; Prof. D. R. Hull, leader of orchestra and violinist; C. W. Cavanaugh, trap drummer. Chas. English and Dick Brown are making good in their old plantation act, "Eph and Dinah." R. L. Davis is also making good in his singing and old-man turn with Chas. English. Mrs. George Budia is a coming singer and is very swell in her line of songs and brings down the house in every town, singing "Summer Time," and Mr. Budia is taking the house by storm in his dancing specialty. The Louisiana King, W. L. Eldridge, from the Lone Star State, is making them all laugh in his monologue and song. Wm. L. Williamson, the bud from the Bluegrass State, is the star of the company, and at all times pleases the audience with his jokes and songs. He is a man that fools them all. He has a good thing up his sleeve for 1909. He is a gentleman in every respect and is liked by all the people in the company. Best wishes to all friends.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.

Messrs. Voelckel & Nolan are enthusiastic in their praise of Tutt Whitney's new show, "The Blackville Strollers." It is the best in thirteen years, they both agree. The show is rapid in action, bubbling over with merriment, and replete with beautiful musical numbers. The cast, which includes the following, is unusually strong: Tutt Whitney, Homer Tutt, Wm. A. Cooke, Chas. Bongia, Gus Hall, Geo. Day, Sara Green, Marie Belle, Jeanette Murphy, Sara Venable.

In their original sketch, "Soldiers of Fortune," the Tutt brothers have scored a big hit. Their latest composition, "I Ain't Goin' to Let Nobody, Nobody Make a Fool Out of Me," is the best they have written, and promises to be the "coon song" hit of the season.

In the olio, the Woodens, bicyclists and hoop jugglers, are seen in some good stunts. Slim Henderson is hitting them hard with Ben Williams' great song, "The Right Church, but the Wrong Pew." Jas. Godman, musical monologuist, has a novelty act of real merit.

In the operatic finale, Madame Jones, the original Black Patti, stands out resplendent, shedding the glory of her wonderful voice over all. The selections were most carefully chosen, and constitute an array of the most beautiful operatic gems before the public.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS AT BOONTON, N. J.

The opening of the Black Patti Troubadours was a notable event, inasmuch as art and finance go together. The little theater at Boonton, N. J., was packed to its doors on the night of September 5, to witness what bids fair to be the best show this lady of quality, Madame Sissieretta Jones, has ever headed. The opening skit, "The Blackville Strollers," by Salem Tutt Whitney, with lyrics by Homer Tutt and music by Trevor L. Corwell, was uproariously funny, pure, and well acted by the cast, which includes Will Cook, Chas. Boogra, Gus Hall, George Day, Homer Tutt, Anthony Byrd, Sallie Green Byrd, Miss Tutt, Jeanette Murphy and Mr. Whitney as "Silas Green." The olio, with the exception of one act, could well be dispensed with, and that act was a novel feature, the single musical turn of James F. Goodman, which was a distinct hit.

Slim Henderson, an old favorite from the Pekin Theater, was well received and will be much talked of this season.

Madame Jones, the Black Patti, has gowned, crowned and sung herself into the chair of success this season. The rendition of the "Red, Red Rose," with eight boys, will not be heard with as much gratification anywhere as in the Patti show this season.

Messrs. Voelckel and Nolan have spared neither money nor pains to equip the show with costumes and scenery, and with its excellent staging, done by Salem Tutt Whitney and Will Cooke, it will be a hot rival to anything that comes near it.

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THE MOVING PICTURE SHOW.

The Moving Picture Show at Louisville, Ky., is quite the attraction for the colored population of the city. It continues to do a good business, and is looked forward to afford a No. 1 class of amusement for the winter. The amateur night is in reality as good as any first-class vaudeville show. Among the head-liners are such as Bud Lively, a singer of no mean repute. He also sings the illustrated song at each night's performance.

Mr. Lee is very much in demand in this section of the country. Besides operating his Thirteenth Street Theater, he goes about the State showing first-class pictures, and made a real big hit at the colored fair in Lexington. When he is away the management of his business is very earnestly looked after by his wife, Mrs. L. Tish Hubbard Lee, whose ability to "manage" is equal to her popular husband's.

Recently they had for an extra attraction a pie eater's contest. It was a roar from start to finish, and was pulled off to a packed house. This was the funniest contest ever shown, and was well patronized and enjoyed. This first-class and up-to-date show house is deserving of the hearty support of every Negro in Louisville, as it is the only place of its kind in the city to which they have access.

"Jimmy" Clarke, the pianist for the theater, is one of the best in Louisville, and Mr. Lowry, trick banjo performer, is an excellent attraction on amateur nights. Robert Denison and partner, who constitute the "St. Louis comedian" team, are actually prize winners, and when he "sprains yo' eyebrows," etc., you have laughed away the blues for weeks to come.

Mr. Lee and wife deserve all credit given them for their excellent place of amusement, and their shows have gained a creditable reputation, not only in the city, but all over the surrounding country. They change their program nightly, and produce some of the finest and best moving pictures of the age, no picture shown being taken earlier than March. Mr. Lee took to the Lexington and Glasgow fairs pictures that have never before been seen on a fair grounds, and those who attended missed a treat if they did not visit his show and see it all.

CHICAGO SHOW SHOP.

—By Julie Jones, Jr.—

Cohen & Harris' Big Honey Boy Minstrels are at the Auditorium, a house that seats 5,000. This is the real "big noise" of this city. This big minstrel company has been hailed and billed as the biggest thing that was ever offered. The company carries more weight than a usual minstrel company from the fact that the owners and producers are the leaders in the show business to-day. But the show itself is no better than Callender's Big Georgia Minstrels or Primrose & West's Big Seventy. Comparing the stars of these former mammoth big minstrels with these present-day stars, you would have very little to choose from. George Evans and Eddie Leonard make large noise for Cohen & Harris. George Primrose and George Wilson were the fun-makers for Primrose & West's Big Seventy. "Billie" Kersands and Charlie Hunn were the leaders for Callender's "Georgias." Now, what would one have to choose from to amuse the public? Messrs. Cohen & Harris, with all their big spectacular, did not have a Wallace King or Bank Winters to offer to render a ballad. Can a minstrel show produce such singers these days? Mr. Cohen, who staged the show, used all original Negro situations, as an American minstrel is no good without it. It takes the same stand that "Uncle Tom's Cabin" does. There must be a black Tom and a white Eva to give a successful "Uncle Tom" show, and you will have to have black end men and orchestra on the stage to give a successful Negro minstrel. One gallant minstrel producer, W. H. West, produced a minstrel show once with all white faces, but the public soon brought him to his senses, after an enormous loss. The Honey Boy Minstrels have an olio that no minstrel or small vaudeville house in the country would think of carrying. Watterbury brothers and Tenny, Eddie Leonard and Gorman brothers, the dancing trio; Prevost and Davis, a big drill of forty people, and Julian Eltege. The staging and scenic effects of the entire production are per-excellent, away beyond anything that has ever been produced in minstrelsy. Mr. Cohen has certainly gone beyond himself in this undertaking; nothing has been left undone. With all the success of this "Honey Boy Minstrel," can a black-face comedian be anything more than a minstrel star? The veteran critic, Acton Davis, once said after a white man once makes good behind cork he never has the nerve to face an audience without it. It seems that this same thing applies to George Evans and Eddie Leonard. The former, as a black-face monologue comedian, has been a head-liner in every vaudeville house in the country. Eddie Leonard, as a black-face singer and dancer, is in Class A. Both of these gentlemen are Broadway favorites, yet both failed in musical comedies. This alone comes from the fact that colored prejudice runs so high that the audience would hiss a black-face comedian who made an attempt to make love or sing a song to a white beauty. On the whole, this show has proven to be the biggest drawing card in Chicago for years.

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Things along the Dahomian stroll are still rolling high. The Pekin is leading them all at a breakneck pace. It has been proven beyond a doubt that this section of the city wants 5 and 10-cent shows. The shows along the Stroll are very good, with the exception of a great many bad pictures, that are old and worn out.

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The Pekin, the Colonial of "Dahoma," tops very heavily over the other houses in the way of a bill. They are offering Williams and Stevens in a gay musical skit, "Dr. Doo-Doo." This piece had its try-out a week ago. It has improved 50 per cent. from rehearsal and additional people. Mr. Williams got more out of his part than he did the opening night, and did some very clever work throughout the piece. His work compared favorably with that of the great little comedian, "Billie" Eldridge. His only song, "You Are Fast Asleep," was a very bad one. Mr. Stevens, who seemed a little nervous at the beginning, settled down as the show went along, and was giving a gilt-edge performance when the show was finishing. His love song with Miss Oma Crosby was as neat a piece of work as has ever been done on the Pekin stage. Hen Wise, with a very bad part, did well. Pearl Brown, who played the part of Mrs. Doo-Doo, did not have enough lines to show her usual ability. The chorus was very poor for this house. Such shows as this "Do. Doo-Doo" are the kind of skits that the patrons of this house want. The olio is the same as last week, with the exception of "Billie" Earthquake, the man who warned the management to prop the house before he started. He was some noise at that, and might have done better if he had not mixed up a chicken, heaven and hell in a song. People have too much respect for a chicken nowadays to hear him burlesqued by every comedian that comes along. This young man can dance, and dance some more.

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The Washington is the next "nickel-in-the-slot" going south from the Pekin. It offers Shelton Brooks, late star of the Pekin Stock Company. Mr. Brooks has played all the "fives" over and over again, until he has gotten so careless in his monologue that he loses all respect for women, children and Christianity. All three of his jokes ended with an oath. These jokes always get a scream, but yet they hurt the comedian in the long run. Mr. Brooks is entirely too clever to resort to such tactics in order to try and make good.

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The Grand, the most popular of all these small houses, offers for a feature "Billie" McCarver and George Harris. This is a brand new act. This has been formed for the big circuit, and went in this house for a try-out. If anything can be judged by the hit they made, their success is assured, for they simply tore the house down. Another feature on the bill was Henderson Bowen, a good ballad singer. Marion Brooks, formerly of the Pekin Theater, has been given the management of this beautiful little playhouse, and hereafter will do all the booking for this and other small show shops along the "Stroll" and some off the "Stroll."

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The Dunbar, Royal and Monogram fall in line with the rest of them to make things merry along the "Stroll."

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The Lincoln, the pioneer, still springs new novelties. It is featuring a man by the name of "Rags," who is old to the Woods Circus people, but carried this house by storm, by making rhymes on the audience. This fellow is very good with audiences that like this kind of singing. Chas. Young is on the same bill, doing a Zulu king act. This man Young is certainly one singer. If Zulus have as much fun with their dances as Young does, their lives must be all sunshine and glee.

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The Pekin Stock Company tendered Miss Lottie Grady a surprise party in honor of her twenty-first anniversary. The writer got the thing mixed up, and doesn't know whether it was twenty-one years old or that time on the stage. Anyway, it was a glorious time. A few of those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hen Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Owsley, Chas. Williams, Augustus Stevens, Percy Robinson, Clarence Everetts, Lew Lamar, Pearl Brown, Oma Crosby, Lula Caruthers, and other members of the company. Things are certainly booming in "Dahoma."

SAPARO & BONNY AT FAMILY.

Last week Henry Saparo and Fred Bonny appeared here at the Family Theater and made good. The two comedians are as clever as ever, and do not fail to please their audiences. About the only fault the average theater-goer would find with this act is that one cannot see anything entirely original. The same lines are being used by a large number of

teams. Fred Bonny has a make-up that is really original. His red hair and his face in cork has a very funny contrast, and when he sings "That's Enough," his hearers are bound to laugh. Henry Saparo, playing straight, makes an excellent stage appearance in costly costumes. Saparo and Bonny have not been together before for a year or more, on account of the recent illness of the former.

A. B. C.'S GET EVEN BREAK.

Lose First to Louisville Giants 8 to 9 and Take Second 2 to 1.

The A. B. C.'s and Louisville Giants split even in a double-header at Northwestern Park Sunday. The visitors took the first game 9 to 8 and the A. B. C.'s the second 2 to 1. The first contest was marked by hard hitting and ragged fielding. Boardman secured two home runs and the local team executed four fast double plays. Washington held the Giants to two hits in the second game. Griffin was also effective. Scores:

FIRST GAME.

A. B. C.'s.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Granger, l. f.	1	0	0	1	0
Herron, c. f.	0	0	2	0	1
Allen, 3d b.	2	1	0	2	1
Hutchinson, s. s.	1	0	3	4	0
Merida, 2d b.	1	1	4	3	0
Board, 1st b.	2	2	13	0	1
Gordon, c.	0	0	4	2	0
Davis, r. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Higbee, p.	1	1	0	1	0
Totals	8	6	27	[illegible]	3
Giants.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Wallace, 2d b.	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Watson, 3d b.	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Griffin, r. f., p.	2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Woods, c. f.	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Roberson, l. f.	2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Collins, c., 1st b.	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cololeman, 1st b., c.	0	[illegible]	7	[illegible]	[illegible]
Booker, s. s.	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	9	11	24	[illegible]	[illegible]

A. B. C.'s ....0 1 0 2 3 0 0 2 0—8
Giants ....3 0 0 0 0 0 1 5 0—9

Innings pitched—Sanford, 8; Griffin, 1. Base hits made—Off Sanford, 6. Bases on balls—Off Higbee, 4; off Sanford, 2; off Griffin, 1. Struck out—By Higbee, 5; by Sanford, 5. Two-base hits—Hutchinson, Griffin. Home-runs—Board 2, Allen. Double plays—Merida to Hutchinson to Board; Hutchinson to Merida to Board. Stolen bases—Granger, Allen 2, Higbee, Wallace, Watson. Umpire—Blankenship. Time—1:55. Attendance—800.

SECOND GAME.

A. B. C.'s.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Granger, l. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Herron, c. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Allen, 3d b.	0	0	2	2	0
Hutchinson, s. s.	0	1	1	7	0
Merida, 2d b.	1	0	2	3	1
Board, 1st b.	0	0	11	1	0
Gordon, c.	0	1	3	0	0
Thompson, c.	0	0	1	0	0
Davis, r. f.	1	2	1	0	0
Washington, p.	0	0	0	2	0
Totals	2	5	21	15	1
Giants.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Wallace, 2d b.	0	1	4	1	0
Watson, 3d b.	0	0	2	3	2
Griffin, p.	0	1	0	1	0
Booker, s. s.	1	0	0	0	1
Woods, c. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Roberson, l. f.	0	0	3	1	0
Collins, 1st b.	0	0	7	1	0
Coleman, c.	0	0	2	1	0
Sandford, r. f.	0	0	2	0	0
Totals	1	2	20	8	3

A. B. C.'s ....0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0—2
Giants ....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—1

Bases on balls—Off Washington, 1; off Griffin, 1. Struck out—By Washington, 3; by Griffin, 1. Hit by pitcher—Merida. Two-base hits—Granger, Davis, Collins. Double plays—Hutchinson to Merida to Board 2. Stolen bases—Hutchinson, Merida, Davis, Booker, Coleman. Passed ball — Coleman. Umpire — Blankenship. Time—2:00. Attendance—800.

NOTES OF THE GAME.

Jim Shawler was present at the games a silent spectator of the fray.

Todd stepped into one of pitcher Sanford's slouts for a homer. The fence wasn't in the way either.

The white patronage at the park is noticeably increasing each week. This should be very encouarging to the management.

Eliminating the ceaseless squabbles that constantly bobbed up in each game the contests were both interesting and well worth seeing.

George Board, the rejuvinated first sacker of the locals, slammed the ball over the left field fence for a homer in both games. This is batting some.

Although hobbling around on a game leg Capt. Merida was no "dead one" on the middle sack at that. He and short stop Hutchinson pulled off a couple of fast doubles.

"Apie," who officiated as umpire, had a hard row to hoe. His decisions caused a continuous uproar among the players of both sides. Many of his rulings were rank and "offensive to the smell."

It is the popular belief among the fans that Granger would be better placed at "short" than in the outfield. He is too short for the position and the "booting" of many balls is the result.

LOGANS WALLOP LELANDS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Logan Squares defeated the Leland Giants by the score of 10 to 4, at Logan Square, Sunday, giving them the odd game over the colored boys on the week-end games between the clubs. Eddie Hughes pitched a steady game, while Walter Ball was hit hard, Callahan leading in the onslaught with two singles, a double and a home run. Haisman had two doubles and a single. Jimmy Ryan and Jack Beall did excellent work in the field. John L. Sullivan and Jake Kilrain, in addition to umpiring the game between the Logan Squares and Ansons this afternoon, will give a vaudeville stunt, the chief of police having forbidden their exhibition boxing match. The score:

L. Squares.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Mienke, s. s.	0	0	1	2	0
Beall, l. f.	3	2	5	0	0
Haisman, 2b	3	3	2	1	0
Callahan, 3b	1	4	0	1	1
Ryan, r. f.	0	1	4	1	0
Hertel, 1b	0	0	9	1	0
Flavin, c. f.	2	0	2	0	0
Donovan, c.	0	1	4	2	1
Hughes, p.	1	1	0	1	0
Totals	10	12	27	9	2
L. Giants.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Winston, l. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Harris, 2b	0	1	1	3	0
Hill, c. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Booker, c.	0	1	8	1	1
Bowman, r. f.	1	1	0	0	0
Moore, 1b	1	1	11	0	0
Talbert, 3b	2	1	0	4	0
Wright, s. s.	0	1	2	2	0
Ball, p.	0	2	0	3	0
Totals	4	8	24	13	1

Logan Squares....3 4 0 2 1 0 0 0 *—10
Leland Giants.....0 1 0 0 2 0 0 0 1— 4

Two-base hits—Haisman (2), Beall, Callahan, Ryan, Harris, Talbert. Home run—Callahan. Double plays—Ryan to Hertel; Booker to Harris. Struck out—By Hughes, 5; by Ball, 7. Bases on balls—Off Hughes, 1; off Ball, 4. Umpire—O'Brien.

GUNTHERS TRIM LELAND GIANTS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Fred Bergmann's pitching resulted in the downfall of the Leland Giants Sunday, at Gunther Park, the latter winning by a score of 2 to 0. Only twenty-eight men faced the German, one hit and errors by Dicke and Pedersen letting three men reach first, but two of them were thrown out at second base by Frank Olis. Bergmann was given great support by his field. Catches of two hard fouls by Booker were features. The score:

Gunthers.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Medw'ky, l. f.	1	1	2	0	0
Schall, 3b	1	0	2	3	0
Campion, s. s.	0	1	2	6	0
Gerten'h, c. f.	0	2	1	0	0
Parker, r. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Pedersen, 1b	0	0	15	1	1
Dicke, 2b	0	0	1	2	1
Olis, c.	0	1	3	3	0
Bergmann, p.	0	0	1	2	0
Totals	2	6	27	17	2
L. Giants.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Winston, l. f.	0	0	4	0	0
Harris, 2b	0	0	3	2	0
Hill, c. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Booker, c.	0	1	6	2	0
Moore, 1b	0	0	7	1	1
Bowman, p.	0	0	0	1	0
Talbert, 3b	0	0	0	0	0
Ball, r. f.	0	0	1	1	0
Wright, s. s.	0	0	2	3	0
Totals	0	1	24	10	1

Gunthers ....0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 *—2
Leland Giants......0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Two-base hits—Parker, Gertenrich. Struck out—By Bergmann, 3; by Bowman, 4. Bases on balls—Off Bowman, 1. Hit by pitcher—Schall. Umpire—Fitzpatrick.

THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE

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Gentlemen's List.

Bruce, W. A.	Moppins, Pearl.
Carter, Paul.	Mayfield, Wm. H.
Clark, Prof. H. I.	McMullen, W. L.
Gaston, S. S.	Pierce, William.
Garlman, Nellie.	Pope, Roy.
Drakers, Alfred.	Prince, Arthur.
Hill, C. C.	Radcliff, Lummie—2
Henderson, Katie.	Smith, N. Clarke.
Henderson, Shelton.	Scott, Buddie.
Horne, W. L.	St. Clair, Harry.
James & Moody.	Talber, Jno.
Jones, A. G.	Toliver, John.
Jones, Don.	Viney, Whitten.
Johnson, Roy—2	Vassar, M. B.
Jordan, Paul.	Walker, Wm.—4
Kersands, Arthur.	White, Robert C.
Kersands, Billy.	Williams, Geo. A.
Levard, Wm. A.—2	Wilkerson, George.
McDaniel, Mance.	Williams, Geo. A.
Malone, William.	Willis, Isaac.

Ladies' List.

Alexander, Ada Lee.	Miles, Mrs. Mabel.
Crosby, Miss Oma.	Hunn, Mrs. Lettia.
Cook, Abbie Mitchell.	Pramfrin, Laura.
Crosby, Goldie.	Wilson, Miss Dora.

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THAT SPRINGFIELD RIOT!

A FEW SOBER REFLECTIONS ON THE SITUATION.

THE RACES MUST GET CLOSER TOGETHER

Much Depends upon the Attitude of the Big Newspapers throughout the Country, as they Mould Public Sentiment.

The Springfield riot of a few days was one of the worst happenings in years. It goes without saying that it has demanded attention generally, both owing to the loss of life and to the significance that attaches. The best thought of the coutry is coming to the fore, a divising along radical lines, talking in certain tone, knowing that the future will be full of trouble unless something is done to bring about a better understanding between the races. The race has strong advocates, those who stand up in its interest at the crucial test. They will not be set down as special Negro race champions, but who are the friends of humanity wherever she is down trod. Among those relied on is the Indianapolis News; it has always been swift to side with right in the greater movements of racial travail and sorrow. Really it is more interested at times than the great bulk of the Negroes, many ot whom show no interest whatever, simply content that it is not their town at the gallows, so "on with the dance."

The News is appreciated for its timely words, its genuineness in trying to fashion better racial affairs. Its honesty will not be doubted when it says:

"Yet, after making every allowance, it is startling to think that such an outbreak is possible in the capital city of one of the great states of the Union, startling to know that the law is so powerless, and that there is an element numerous enough and powerful enough to wage a successful war against the officers of the law. We see— and it ought to make us shudder —how thin is the veneer over our native savagery, and how fierce are the fires that are burning beneath the surface of our civilization. All the passions that broke loose in Springfield were the passions of barbarians—the lust for blood, the wild desire for vengeance, race hatred, and above all the idea of holding an entire race responsible for the supposed sin of member of it. Two entirely innocent men were lynched, and thousands of dollars worth of property that belonged to men who had done no wrong, some of it belonging to a man who had co-operated with the authorities to protect the life of one charged with crime. One of the poor Negroes who was brutally treated and finally butchered is now admitted to have been a man who was universally respected, a good citizen and an honest toiler for his daily bread. But he was a "Nigger"—and that was enough for the brutes who killed him."

Indeed the mob is an unreasoning body; it has only one notion; it is not satisfied until death and destruction lay in its wake like the drift of ocean after a strife among the gods of the sea. An to think that no conslerable community of Negroes is safe from a similar happening. In Indianapolis, in Louisville, in Boston, a similar outbreak may take place at any time. In view of the probability the best relations between the races can not be expected. Our country cannot afford to invite conditions that suggest anarchy and militarism, government by physical force. The Negroes have their faults, but they do not run toward civil destruction, nor toward the disregarding of the laws. in the main they are "boorishness," a quality to which should be extended patience and consideration, since they are yet children in the great game of civilization. The mob's action, if persisted in, will not help the development in the right direction. Even beasts, without a human instinct, will rebel at a juncture in the pursuing It is well that the best thought of the country is directed to the condition, for it is evident that every energy must be bent to conserve the public peace. And the peace can be kept if men are so inclined. Unthinking, ignorant Negroes can be easily influenced to commit excesses, which designing men will use in breaking up the public weal. This condition is to be avoided. For in the language of the Christ, they known what they do.

Again the News says:

"We think those who are trying to fan the flames of race hatred—and there are such men in all our cities —ought, in the light of this wicked revolt against law and order, to see how criminal is their action. Those who pretend to believe that there are no good people among the Negroes; who insist that they are all alike bad; who do nothing to encourage the worthy members of the race, and to strengthen their bands against those who are not worthy; and who insist that the whole race is responsible for the sins of its criminals—all these are paving the way for just such shameful riots and killings as those which have disgraced Springfield. The black men and the white men have got to live together in this country, and it is therefore the duty of all to strive to establish the friendliest relations between the two races. We can not hope to improve or to uplift the Negro by putting him outsiae the pale of the law, by treating him as a beast, and by denying to him the fullest opportunity to develop himself along the right lines. If you treat a man as a "Nigger" he will soon come to be a "Nigger." If you eal with him as a beast he will certainly fall to the level of the beast—as will the men who so treat him. "The surest plan to make a Man is to think him so.'"

Among the Negroes are many worthy in deportment to be classed among the best people anywhere; it is these who feel the disgrace most keenly. Unfortunately there are many more who are not interested beyond their material welfare, having no thought of tomorrow; their bread is the bread of caprice, making them as putty in the hands of others. If one cares to think along this line. it will be seen what great danger we are amid. If the race is not careful its disposition will make unconscious slaves of its members, coming and going at the whims of others, rather than being free as such a condition goes ordinarily. So the admonition is not wholly to the white people to cease burning, to cease mobbing, but to the Negroes in part, and who are to cease being so foolish wise, cease knowing so much until they are prepared. Let them enter the walks of industrialism, all the walks of industrialism, and let them not think that they can live off their wits; they are not prepared at this period for any such livelihood.

In fact it appears that a sharp right about will be necessary if we may expect the best. The white people have no license to beat up the "Niggers," but they think so. If the race will do its utmost much of the reason for so thinking, will disappear; what is left will be kept in proper bounds between the duties of the law and their conscience. It is to be hoped that the comment poured forth, that is being poured forth will be without venom, but caustic enough to reach the spot, and that the general race will look up a moment to the realization that the struggle has begun in earnest.

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It had always struck us that there was no force to that part of deeds, yet in communities further North than Virginia such insertions are entered and cited. With the late lamented Rev. John Jaspar, "the sun do move." It shows what can be done if men will do. Had the judge decided otherwise these men would have been defeated when the intent of the law is to recognize no special race provision. It's a good, big thing, and because of where it comes. As soon as public sentiment is strong enough, some of these gents of the "ermine and wool sacks" will take a whack at some other irregularities. These judges are of splendid ability, or else they could not climb on the bench; but they are fettered often by strong public views, in the face of which it would be folly to hand down "contrary" opinions. This has in mind the unfortunate race situation. And we say in all earnestness that under the circumstances it is fortunate that they seem to pass down the law, although it could be of other construing, abiding the time when the public is prepared in the better part to hear the law's intent. Laws are the expression of the sentiments of the majority and not arbitrary conditions to be forced on a people against the major consent. If our race will view the matter in some such light they will toil none the less, but with patience at winning the majority consent. The fundamental principle of advanced nations and the very essence of a republican government by the voice of the majority.

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DIVORCE.

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BE IT KNOWN, That on the 28th day of August, 1908, the above named plaintiff by his attorney, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion Court, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Elma Stites and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Elma Stites, is not a resident of the state of Indiana, and said cause is for divorce, and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 2d day of November, 1908.

NOW THEREFORE, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her, and that unless she appear and and answer or demur thereto at the calling of said cause on the 2d day of November, 1908, the same being the 1st judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the city of Indianapolis, on the first Monday in November, 1908, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence. LEONARD M. QUILL, Clerk.

I. L. WISEMAN, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Sept. 5-3t.

Notice of Appointment.

Notice is hereby given, That the undersigned has duly qualified as Executrix of estate of George A. Woods, late of Marion county, Indiana, deceased. Said estate is supposed to be solvent No. 8648. HULDAH A. WOODS.

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Election November 3d.

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Election November 3, 1908.

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Election November 3, 1908.

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Baptists Meet

Representative Men and and Women of the Race Meet in Lexington to Advance the Cause of Christianity.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 8.—This week the grand old city of Lexington threw open its doors to the National Baptist Convention. At this meeting assembled some of the brainiest and most representative men and women in America. Men and women in every vocation of life were here to advocate the cause of Christ in America, Africa and elsewhere; to foster the cause of education and to promote the publication and circulation of religious literature.

Education and missions played a prominent part in the business affairs of the convention. The secretaries reports were given much consideration and a day was set apart for each secretary to report.

The National Baptist Convention is the largest body of Christian people in the world. It was organized November 24, 1880, at Montgomery, Ala., and at this meeting there was collected $317.06. The convention has met annually ever since, and at several meetings upwards of $300,000 has been collected. The largest amount was collected at Birmingham, Ala., in 1892.

The progress of the National Baptist Convention has been marvelous. Through the secretaries of the convention the work has spread in every State in the Union and in several foreign countries. With the money of this convention the gospel of Jesus Christ has permeated every land where the black man resides. Missionaries have been commissioned and sent to Africa and other fields, and schools, churches and academies have been established and great good has been accomplished. The work of education has not been left undone in this country. On nearly every hilltop in the South there is located a denominational school. Nearly a hundred are situated in the most populous part of the Black Belt.

Word has just reached your correspondent that the National Training School for Women and Girls will be open October 1, and that the dreams of women of the National Convention will soon be realized and that plans have been submitted for the erection of a $75,000 building at Washington, D. C., where the school is located. This undertaking on the part of the denomination will place a premium upon prepared Christian workers, and fill the demand for prepared stenographers, bookkeepers and skilled artisans. The work of getting money for this enterprise has been under the direction of Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, of Louisville, and remarkable has been her success.

The president of the National Baptist Convention is Dr. E. C. Morris, of Helena, Ark. He is one of the most widely known men of the race, broad, liberal, and is a man of splendid character, intelligent and a Christian gentleman. In his annual address last year at Washington, D. C., we recall this important sentence in his message: "Go forward in everything materially that tends to build up, and take no backward steps in anything that is right or good; and let our motto be in keeping with the sentiment of the words of Peter when he wrote, 'But grow in grace, and in knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.'" Dr. Morris' address was one of the features of the convention here, and most likely it will be printed in book form and sold to the messengers to the convention.

Dr. R. H. Boyd, secretary of the Home Mission Board, made his annual report. He is one of the best executives of the convention, and his work at Nashville stands as a monument to his untiring energy. He is at the head of the largest publishing house among Negroes in the world. This building takes up a half block and they employ 150 men and women. Henry Allen Boyd, son of Dr. R. H. Boyd, was at the convention. He is one of the young men of the race that is making his way forward in the printing business world.

Dr. E. W. D. Isaacs, secretary of the B. Y. P. U., and editor of the National Baptist Union, made a report of his work. Dr. Isaacs, as editor of the Union, has proved to be one of the race's greatest quill drivers, and he has been a great advocate and defender of the denomination's interests. The B. Y. P. U. has been established in nearly every church in this country. The educational work, which will vitally interest all the messengers attending the convention, was reported by Dr. D. S. Klough. A well-equipped theological seminary is now agitating the best minds of the convention.

The Women's Convention, auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, was reported by Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, A. M. Her work has become well established in every nook and corner of the United States. She delivered an annual address, which was one of the features of the entire session. She spoke of the business end of her work, talked on missions, new organization, work among children, education in the rural districts, and made an appeal to save the young women of the race, as well as implored them to lead consistent Christian lives.

The Rev. Robert Mitchell, A. M., D. D., auditor of the National Baptist Convention, reported that he had finished auditing the reports of all the national secretaries, and that their work during the year has been in a flourishing condition. He said: "Notwithstanding the money stringency of the times, the books show great progress. The Baptist Publishing House has just completed its third building, in which is located the church supply department. The denominational work in Nashville has made great strides, and I believe the convention will applaud their efforts."

The National Convention was the guest of Lexingtonians and Kentuckians. A cordial welcome was given to the "Old Kentucky Home." No people in America are kinder, truer and more hospitable than the people of the bluegrass section. Their latch always hangs on the outside. Their dining room tables are always loaded with the richest food and the finest delicacies of the season. The Rev. E. W. Hawthorne and his local committee did exceedingly well with all arrangements. The people, regardless of denomination, opened their doors to the strangers. Lexington, with its pretty women, fast horses and clear spring water, welcomed the Baptists of the world within her gates.

Some of the more prominent members of the National Baptist Convention that were here are as follows: Dr. J. P. Robinson, Little Rock, Ark.; Dr. R. B. Hudson, secretary, Selma, Ala.; Rev. T. O. Fuller, Memphis, Tenn.; Rev. A. J. Stokes, Montgomery, Ala.; Rev. S. W. Bacote, Kansas; Dr. C. H. Parrish, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. A. A. Cosey, Helena, Ark.; Rev. D. M. Coleman, Selma, Ala.; Rev. S. E. Peacry, Los Angeles, Cal.; Rev. C. D. Douglass, Denver, Col.; Rev. J. T. Thomas, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. N. A. Seymour, Indianapolis, Ind.; Rev. T. L. Griffem, Des Moines, Ia.; Rev. A. B. Flood, Delhi, La.; Rev. A. N. Johnson, Vicksburg, Miss.; Rev. R. T. Simms, Canton, Miss.; Rev. B. W. Farris, Boston, Mass.; Rev. M. W. Withers, Minneapolis, Minn.; Rev. S. N. Vass, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. C. N. Cartright, Edenton, N. C.; Rev. W. T. Dickerson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. J. Franklin Walker, Cincinnati, O.; Rev. A. Barbor, Galveston, Tex.; Rev. L. L. Campbell, Austin, Tex.; Rev. J. B. Beckan, Spokane, Wash.; Dr. S. C. Morris, New York; Rev. C. H. Clark, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. P. H. Kennedy, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. D. Webster Davis, Richmond, Va.; Rev. M. A. Alexander, Plainfield, N. J.; Rev. W. O. Harper, Dayton, O.; Rev. S. M. L. Francis, Kentucky; Mr. William H. Steward, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. William Z. Thomas, Columbus, O.; Rev. Walter A. Brooks, Washington, D. C.; Dr. M. W. Gilbert, New York; Rev. J. Milton Waldern, Washington, D. C.; Rev. George McNeil, Kansas City, Kans.; Rev. C. G. Fishback, Topeka, Kans.; Rev. W. H. Moses, Pittsburg, Pa.; John H. Frank, Louisville, Ky., and L. G. Jordan, Louisville.

Among some of the prominent women who are in attendance at the Baptist Woman's Convention are the following: Mrs. S. W. Layton, Philadelphia; Mrs. P. J. Bryant, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. B. W. Broughton, Normal, Ala.; Mrs. M. E. Goins, Jefferson City, Mo.; Mrs. E. M. Abner, Conrow, Tex.; Mrs. E. A. Wilson, Kansas City; Mrs. S. C. Shanks, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Mrs. S. M. Mitchell, Florida; Mrs. N. B. Griggsby, Indiana; Mrs. A. E. Webber, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. C. H. Parrish, Kentucky; Mrs. S. A. Peyton, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. M. L. West, Louisiana; Mrs. Victoria Brooks, Maryland; Mrs. M. E. Ford, Mississippi; Mrs. A. East, Pennsylvania; Mrs. E. H. McDonald, Rhode Island; Mrs. M. M. Bucker, Texas; Mrs. Mayme Steward, Louisville; Miss Geneva Cowles, Miss Juanita Adams, of Foreign Mission Rooms, Louisville, Ky.

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Race Gleanings

IF.

If every boy and every girl,
  Arising with the sun,
Should plan this day to do alone
  The good deeds to be done;

Should scatter smiles and kindly words,
  Strong, helpful hands should lend,
And to each other's wants and cries
  Attentive ears should bend;

If every man and woman, too,
  Should join these workers small,
Oh, what a flood of happiness
  Upon our earth would fall!

How many homes would sunny be
  Which now are filled with care!
And joyous, smiling faces, too,
  Would greet us everywhere.

I do believe the very sun
  Would shine more clear and bright,
And every little twinkling star
  Would shed a softer light.

But we, instead, must watch to see
  If other folks are true,
And thus neglect so much that God
  Intends for us to do.

—Golden Days.

Dr. W. W. Derrick, of Knoxville, Tenn., has secured a position in a hospital at Boston.

Cory Methodist Episcopal Church, at Cleveland, O., celebrated its thirty-eighth anniversary last week.

Out of the 12,500 newspapers published in the United States, 120 are managed, edited and published by Negroes.

The Negro Workingman's Union of America is a new organization at Huntsville, Ala., composed of some of the leading Negro citizens.

The thirty-third session of Prince Hall Grand Chapter, Commandery and Grand Lodge of Kansas was held in Topeka, Kans., the last part of last month.

Hon. Charles W. Anderson, collector of the port of New York, will be the speaker of the day at the Emancipation celebration, September 22, at Cleveland, O.

The opening of the city colored schools at Huntsville, Ala., was the largest in the history of the city. Speeches were made by prominent citizens. A Colored Educational Auxiliary has been organized and is raising a supplementary school fund for the improvement of the city colored schools.

An organization known as the Colored Protective Association is seeking to have separate schools established at Nicetown, Pa. The movement, it is said, is the idea of a politician and an officer to serve them individually.

The Sumner League, the Toussaint L'Overture Club, the Iron League and the East End Taft Club, of Indianapolis, have issued a call to the Negroes of Indiana to celebrate and observe September 22 as Emancipation Day.

Negro Democrats met at Washington, D. C., August 31, to arrange plans to organize the Negro voters of New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky to support the Democratic ticket. The league will establish headquarters at Washington. Dr. Carrothers is chairman of the division.

The Indiana Association of Negro Physicians, Pharmaceutists and Dentists met Wednesday, September 9, in the parlors of the Colored Y. M. C. A., and formed a permanent society, with W. E. Brown, acting chairman, and J. O. Puryear, secretary. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. H. Norrel, president, city; A. L. Cabell, vice president, Terre Haute; Jimmie Jackson, secretary, Marion; Chas. Chavis, treasurer, city; W. T. Thomas, chairman executive board.

The ladies of Pueblo, Col., have organized the Twentieth Century Republican Club. They expect to make themselves felt during the coming campaign as never before. Mrs. J. P. Watson was elected president and Mrs. Ruth Keene secretary. This club has for its object the uplift, as it applies to colored women, in politics to a higher standing, and shall always denounce that hoodlum element who are always in politics for the few loaves and fishes.

For many years the public schools for Negroes in Kentucky have been controlled by Negro trustees, who employed all teachers. The new law provides that the county be divided into divisions according to children of the white race, in order to secure the election of white trustees. This does not mean that Negro trustees cannot be elected, but it simply gives the whites an advantage in electing trustees. The Negro educators as well as the whites accepted the law without a protest. The law will not interfere with the separate school system in vogue in Kentucky, for that is made sure by the Constitution of the State.

TURNING EVIL TO ACCOUNT.

"The question of permitting the Negro to participate in the government of thec ountry is not a matter of education or property requirements. If every Negro in the United States was a university graduate, I would oppose their voting. The Negro graduates would not be so capable of understanding the principles of democratic government as illiterate whites. Saxon, is a government builder. The black man is a destroyer. Read the history of Hayto, the country which the black men govern, and answer if this is not true."—James K. Vardaman.

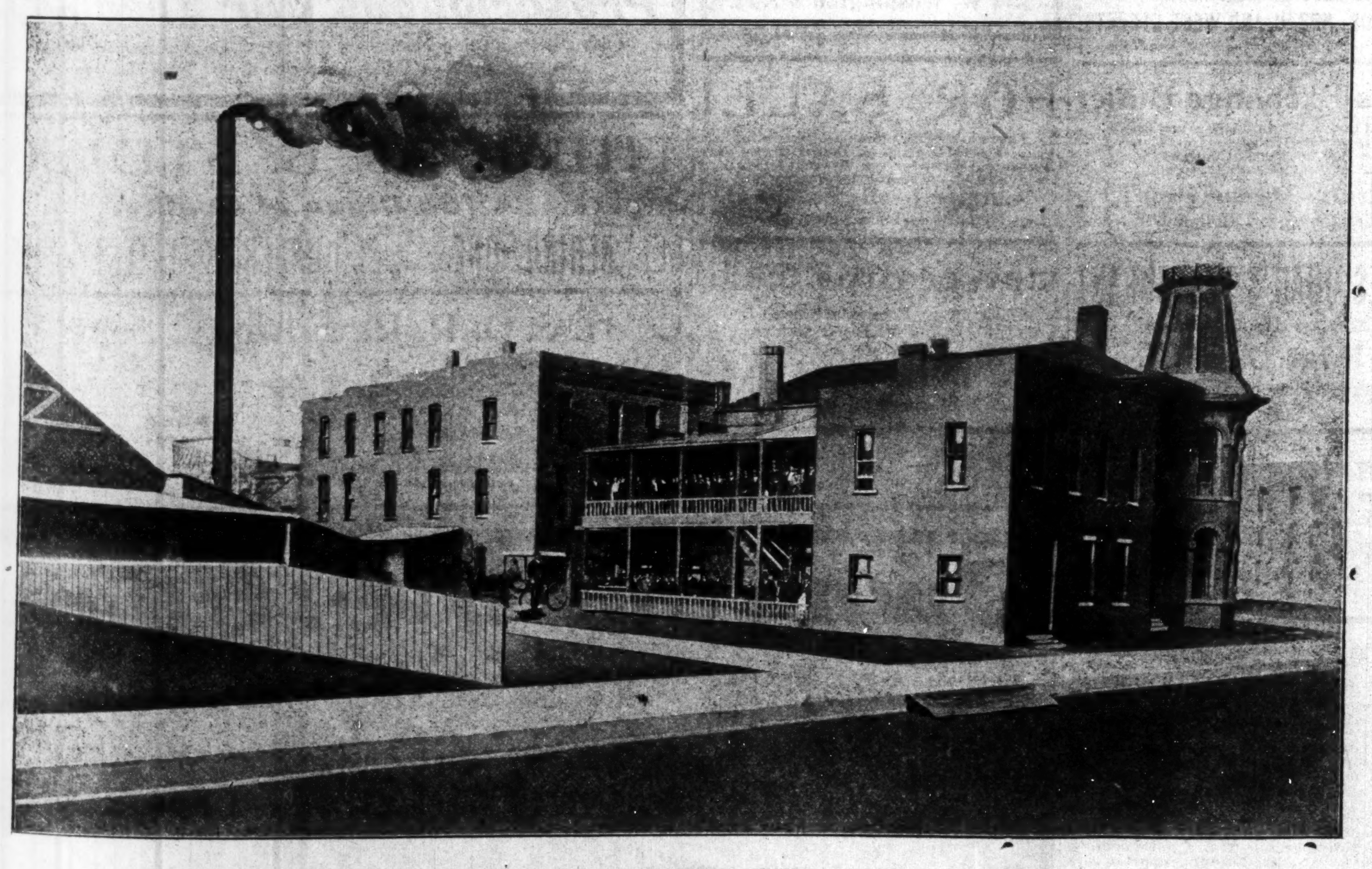
But happily there are but few Vardamans; if they were in majority the name of the race would be "Dennis." Mr. Vardaman is an extremist; his likes, however, are necessary to help make up the average condition. The question is: How will the race manage to hold him down to the minimum, to keep them there? It seems that no Negro is of merit with the Mississippian, a very trying condition indeed as it concerns the Negro.

Nothing good can come out of the Negro race as he sees it. But years ago the same sweeping declaration was made of a certain city—that nothing good could come out of it. Vardaman may be as far off in his notion of Negroes as those of that day were when speaking of Nazareth.

He is overbold in his criticism, but his expressions ought not be without good. If Hayti has failed, and the rest of it, the race should see to it that Hayti's deficiency be made up. The Anglo-Saxon is a government builder, yet Mr. Vardaman makes a mistake if he thinks that every Anglo-Saxon was a government builder. Millions have come and gone, who were just as thriftless as the most thriftless Negroes, and whose names were writ all over alms houses, jails and penitentiaries. Genius came along, one at a time, and far between; they wrought and the rest followed, improved, elaborated giving us this sum total of civilization and progress known today. How many years was this going on? Well, who knows? And may it not be that some such condition, some such evolution will result in Hayti in a thousand years Yea, even in old, dark, lugubrious Africa which are the elder worlds? Which has been longest in training? Mr. Vardaman utters his speech with a cocksureness, measuring all by what is, and not by the elements entering in.

The Negoes of America have the best opportunity ever known to a lesser race. The Vardamans are sometimes needed to put it on its mettle. It has no right to succumb to their withering remarks, however, but should resent the charge uncapacity by capacity, being as much in the given sphere of activities as another man, recognizing no qualities in the equation excepting men; not men's color or race.

We are very far from this ideal position; we take fright at the declarations of others. "To thine ownself be true;" weigh in the balances of men, and when the right condition obtains generally we will hear no more of this chatter of insufficiency and incapacity. Rude as Vardaman, et al., are, they yet have their uses. Let us learn to turn evil to acount.



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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Mrs. W. Cook, in Pierson avenue is improving.

Ernest H. Stigger, of Cairo. Ill., was in the city last week.

G. W. Hickman, of West Virginia is in the city this week.

"Mother" Hall continues very ill at her home in Bright street.

Willis Mallory, of Chicago is spending some time in the city.

George Crane and John Jackson spent Sunday at Cincinnati.

Mrs. Susie Hickerson is seriously ill at her home 2124 Winter avenue.

Mrs. John H. Jackson and children have returned from a visit at Lexington.

Mrs. William Henderson has returned to the city, after a two weeks' visit at Chicago.

William Randall, of Chicago, clerk in the municipal court was in the city last week.

The Progressive Club will meet next week with Mrs. Laura Edwards in Pratt street.

Wista J. Owens, of New York City last week en route to Colorado Springs Colo., to locate.

James Johnson, of Lawrenceville, Ill., was in the city last week attending the State Fair.

Mrs. R. A. Morris left Tuesday for New York City on account of the illness of her dsughter.

Mrs. M. E. Cox, of Nashville, Tenn., a cousin of George L. Knox is in the city for an indefinite stay.

Robert Mintlow continues ill at his sister's residence, Mrs. W. G. Johnston 922 West Eleventh street.

Mesdames Spaulding and Bass, of Bloomington, Ind., were the guests of Mrs. George L. Knox this week.

Mrs. W. N. Curry entertained from 4 to 6 on Thursday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Carl Bass of Sullivan. Ind.

George L. Knox attended the reunion of his regiment, Fifty-seventh Regiment at Sheridian, Ind., Wednesday.

Mrs. James Martin and little daughter have returned from French Lick, Ind., where they spent the heated term.

Lucas B. Willis and James N. Shelton left Thursday morning for Louisville to attend the State Undertaker's Association.

Mrs. Maud Beatty entertained Friday at six o'clock dinner in honor of Dr. Charles Bell. Will Phillips and Jerome Rollins.

E. A. Newby, of Detroit, Mich., was in the city on account of the illness of his sister, Mrs. Mabel Alexander in Dorman street.

Mrs. W. E. Stevenson, E. Stevenson and Mrs. Josephine Philips are the guests of Charles L. Smith in West Tenth street.

J. Thompson of Springfield, Ill., was in the city this week en route from Columbus, O., home to re-open his restaurant and grocery.

Alexander Harrison, 431 Arch street is agent for Madame Parrish's preparations and hair goods and always has a large supply on hand.

Rev. T. R. Prentiss of North Indianapolis was among those who were injured in the wreck on the excursion returning from Chicago.

Mrs. Virginia Taylor entertained Thursday evening in honor of Col. Marshall and Major Jackson of the Eighth Illinois Regiment.

R. S. Gillespie, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel at Peru, Ind., was the city this week. Mr. Gillespie will probably open a business in this city.

Quarterly meeting will be held at Simpson Chapel tomorrow. Rev. H. J. Callis of Jones Tabernacle will preach the sacramental sermon at 3 o'clock.

Madame M. Pickenpack, ladies' tailor of Chicago was in the city Thursday of last week, the guest of her brother en route to visit her father at Frankfort, Kentucky.

Miss Daneva W. Donnell, secretary of The Freeman, will leave tomorrow for a ten days' stay at Philadelphia and New York City on business for the publication.

Mesdames Effie Clark, Nona Gilmer, Misses Hazel Gilmer, Lillian Pankey Will Randal and Andrew Gilmer, of Chicago are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson.

Hon. J. Milton Turner, of St. Louis and James H. Williams of Rushville, will deliver addresses at the Emancipation Proclamation Celebration at the Tomlinson Hall September 22.

P. T. Sparks, of New Albany, Ind., an employe of the Pennsylvania Railroad running between Louisville and Logansport spent a day among friends in the city last week.

Andrew Gilmore of Chicago was in the city last week en route to the cities of the east on a six weeks' vacation. Mr. Gilmore is employed by the Michigan Central Railroad at Chicago.

James P. Loomis, and W. M. Burton plain clothes men of the Springfield, Ill. police force were the guests of Major Duncan, of the Eighth Illinois Regiment stationed at Fort Benjamin Harrison.

Mrs. Priscilla Bullitt died Wednesday from a prolonged illness of stomach trouble. The funeral services were held Friday afternoon. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. T. A. Stewart, Miss Ida Bullitt, and one son, Alphonso Bullitt.

The Bachelors will hold their opening assembly Friday, Oct. 2. At their annual election, the following officers were elected; William E. Viney, president; Charles Baughman, vice-president Mark Batties, secretary; James D. Hill treasurer and Leroy Locklear, floor-manager.

Miss Evelyn Hazelwood, a popular young lady and daughter of Mrs. Clara Hazelwood in Alleghany street and Thomas Ridley, well-known in transfer business in this city were married Thursday evening of last week at the home of the bride, in the presence of a large number of friends.

Frank Palmer, Fred M, Waterfield. of Chicago; Lt. W. H. Parish, of Company, L, Eighth Infantry, of Jacksonville; Sergeant William Murdock and A. L. Morgan, of Peoria; William Turner and Mrs. Florence Skilein Kiser, of Chicago were among the visitors in the city this week.

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The cost of a membership in this college shall be $1.00, which shall include a life membership certificate, beautifully designed, a course in the Health Department at the Princeton Normal and Industrial University, and the privilege of attending the university in person or of taking part in all its work by correspondence. With each membership shall be given one bottle Privado, one bottle Arivado and one box Brownie Liver Pills, the value of which is $1.00, which remedies are a tonic and reconstructant for men and women, and as good as any to be had for this purpose. By agreement, the profits on all these remedies sold to the colored people for the next twenty years shall be used for the purpose stated herein, provided, however, that a membership of 300,000 shall be secured to the Interstate College of Health within the next twelve months. A united effort will secure this membership and will do more for its individual members and the colored race in general than any other organization in existence to-day. The original charter members, which shall be eleven for each charter granted, shall be members of the Supreme College and have a voice in all its deliberations and general supervision of its work in its particular locality. All persons desiring to become charter members shall organize in colleges of eleven persons and send list of their names to Hon. Geo. L. Knox, Indianapolis, Ind., accompanied with the necessary fee of $1.00 for each member, and there will be issued to them immediately a charter and a life membership certificate and the medicine referred to above. Don't delay if you want a voice in the National deliberations of the college, as the charter members only shall be represented in this body.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

That a successful season will be spent in the gymnasium this season is assured already by the interest manifested by the membership in the coming opening, which occurs on Monday, September 28, when the regular class will organize and start on its work of the year. Basket ball teams will be formed from the members of the class and a regular class tournament will be conducted. A new floor has been put down in the gym, and this makes an improvement which will be appreciated by all who participate. This department is open to members without extra cost; all that is required of you is that you wear rubber-soled shoes.

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